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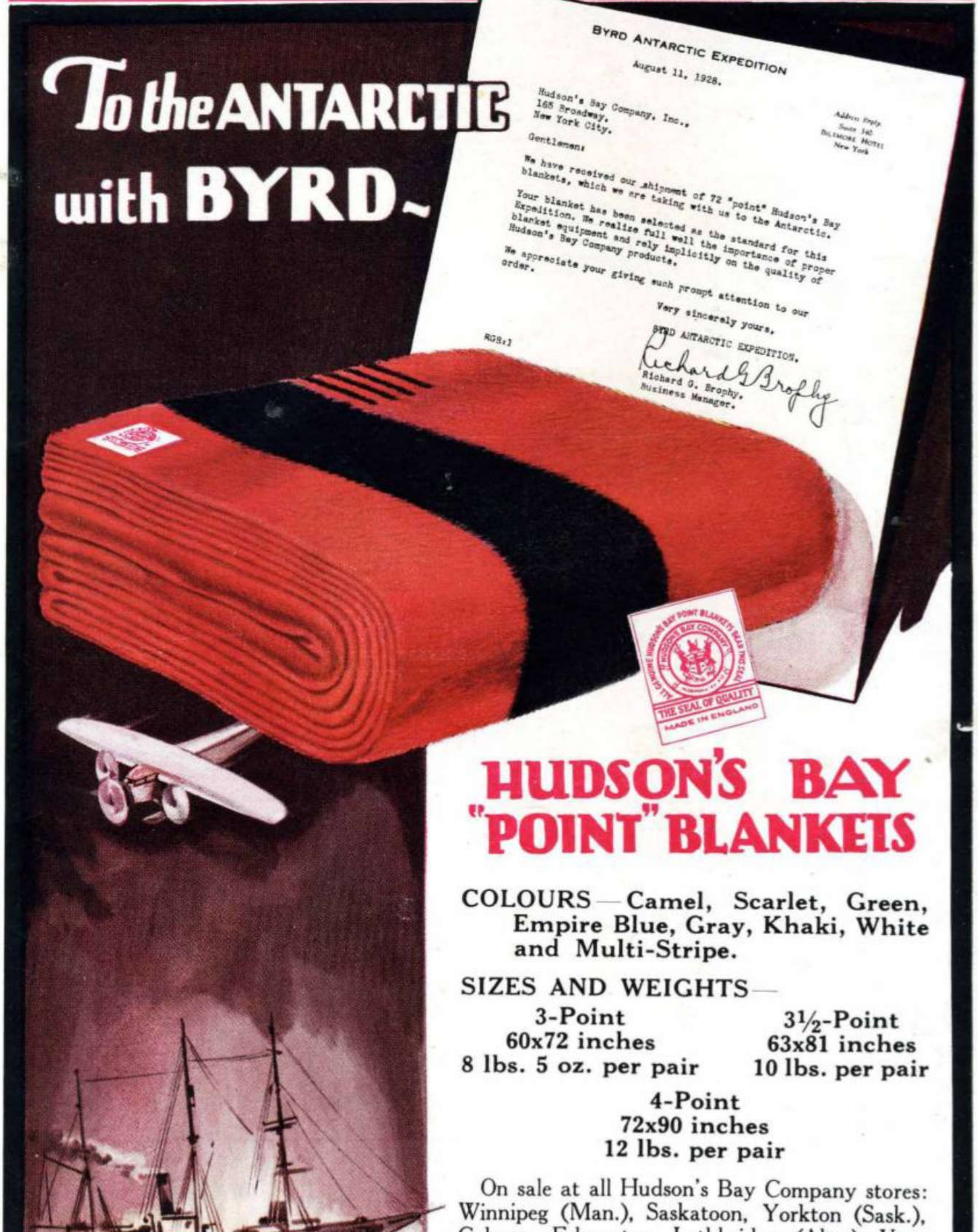

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Christmas Eve

HIGH hang the cloud racks over hill and valley,
Low swings the moon in the east, old gold,
Sweet ring the voices of the children in the alley,
Singing, as have others done, carols in the cold.

Ride there three wise men now, coming from the East away,
Hasting down to Bethlehem, with kingly offerings?
Low there the cattle now, looking o'er the half-door?
Sounds above the darkened town the soothing hush of wings?

Gone are the three wise men, riding from the East away,
Guided by the star to the place where Jesus lay;
Gone are the cattle, the stable and the dovecotes,
But as to angels hovering, who can ever say?

Yet shines the Star of stars beaming down the ages,
Flashing on a darkened world first on Christmas Eve;
High sing the carols out, sweet in the prolonging,
Kneel in adoration, ye who in Him believe.

—Marcile

Greetings

THE long continuity of the Hudson's Bay Company is a constant reminder of the faith, the courage, and the work of our forefathers. As stewards of this heritage, it is the duty, as it should be the pride and pleasure, of every member of the service to uphold its traditions and to press forward with loyal and intelligent effort.

In surveying the affairs of the Company, whether in London or in the course of my yearly pilgrimage from coast to coast of the great Dominion of Canada, I see with much satisfaction the growing sense of these obligations, together with an increasing degree of harmony throughout all departments. It is therefore with full confidence in the reality of a greater future that I give to one and all hearty good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

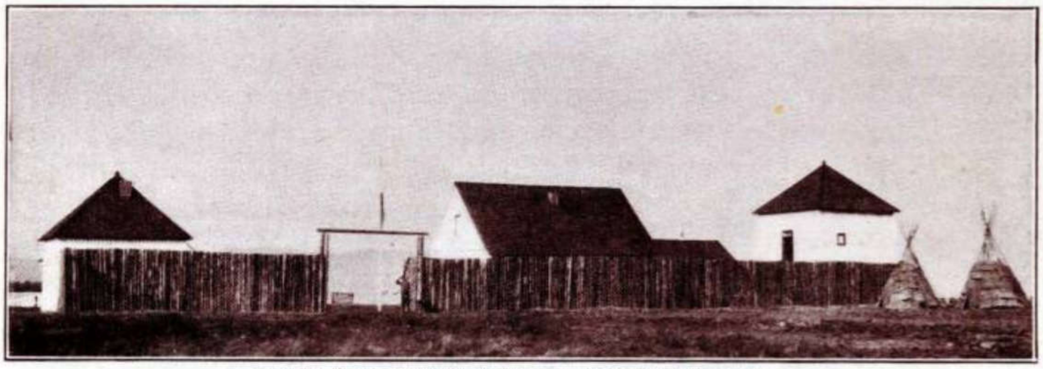
Charles V Sale

Governor Hudson's Bay Company.

I wish every man, woman, boy and girl in the service of, or in any way associated with, the Hudson's Bay Company, or any of its subsidiary companies in Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada, the United States of America and Newfoundland, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and all kinds of good luck.

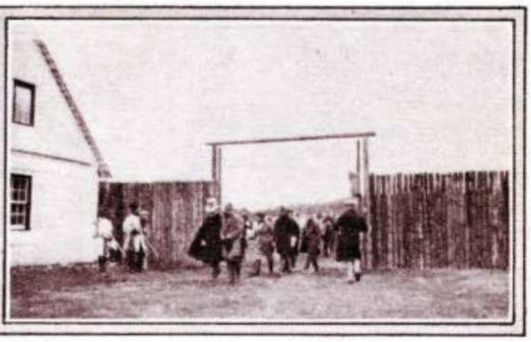
George W. Allan

Chairman Canadian Committee, Hudson's Bay Company.



Fort St. James, with Stockade as Built for 1928 Pageant.

Bastion and Old School House, Fort St. James.



Sir George Simpson Entering Fort St. James (pageant 1928)

Fort St. James

Sir George Simpson Centennial

By ROBERT WATSON

ONE hundred years ago Sir George Simpson, governor of Rupert's Land for the Hudson's Bay Company, made a famous journey across Canada to the Pacific coast, inspecting the Company's posts on the way and cementing amity and goodwill among the traders—Nor'westers and Hudson's Bay men—who had then become one in employment and interests; his journey had also the greater purpose with it of holding the Pacific coast for the British Empire.

The description of Sir George Simpson's entry into Fort St. James, as recorded by Chief Factor Archibald McDonald, was given in last issue of *The Beaver*.

Since that issue, the centennary of this important event in the history of Fort St. James has been celebrated at the fur trade post, in the presence of His Honour R. Randolph Bruce, lieutenant-governor of British Columbia; our Governor Mr. Charles Vincent Sale; Mr. George W. Allan, K.C.; Mr. A. K. Graham, Judge F. W. Howay, and other distinguished visitors.

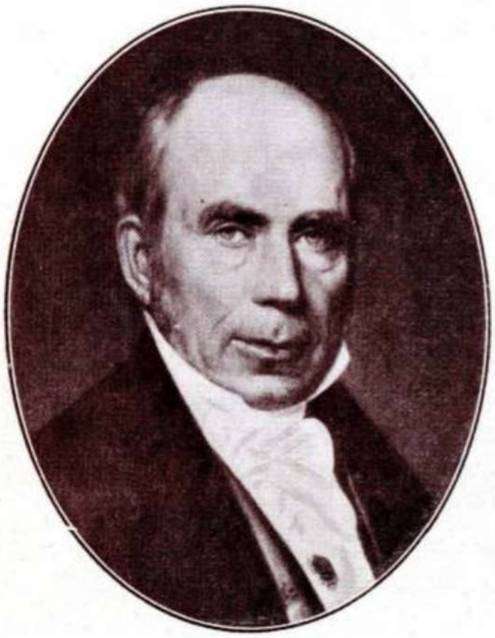
A pageant portraying the arrival of the Governor of Rupert's Land exactly one hundred years before was enacted. This was followed by addresses from our Governor Mr. C. V. Sale, Lieutenant-Governor R. Randolph Bruce, Judge F. W. Howay, Mr. George W. Allan, K.C., Rev. Father Coccola, O.M.I., and others. Commemoration medals were presented by our Governor to native chiefs and councillors, also to guests and Hudson's Bay Company officers attending the celebration. The afternoon was given over to Indian sports and games, native dancing, horse races, feasting, *et cetera*, finishing up with a firework display and dancing for both whites and natives.

A word or two about Fort St. James itself. It is situated on one of the most picturesque spots in British Columbia—on the southeast of Stuart Lake, forty-five miles by road from the town of Vanderhoof, between Jasper Park and Prince Rupert. To many, Fort St. James is merely an historic name, but it is still a flourishing fur trade post with Indian reservations surrounding it. It is also the centre of a considerable agricultural community.

The fort was established in 1806 by Simon Fraser, who two years later traced the Fraser river to its mouth. Accompanying Simon Fraser at the founding of Fort St. James was John Stuart, an officer of the North-West Company and later a chief factor in the service of the Hudson's Bay Company. John Stuart also accompanied Simon Fraser on his voyage down the Fraser river, and it is interesting to know that he was the maternal uncle of Donald A. Smith, who later became Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal. Fort St. James was the second post built west of the Rockies, the first being Fort McLeod in 1805. The post was originally named New Caledonia, but later the name was changed to Stuart Lake post to distinguish it from the district of New Caledonia and in honour of John Stuart. In more recent times it was renamed Fort St. James.

James Douglas was a clerk at the post in 1828 when the district was in charge of Chief Factor William Connolly. James Douglas married William Connolly's daughter Amelia, and she later became Lady Douglas when her illustrious husband was knighted and became governor of British Columbia. The native name for Fort St. James is Nakraztli. The Carrier Indians, who reside in the district, give the meaning of the word as "Arrows of the dwarfs floating off," there being an old local legend of a tribe of dwarfs who lived on the hills and a conflict between them and the Carrier Indians in which the arrows floated down the river in unbelievable quantities.

While many fur trade posts are famous in themselves, Fort St. James somehow takes on the glamour of the distinguished governors, explorers, historians and fur traders who, at various periods in its history have been identified with it, the place of honour among whom must be given to its founder, Simon Fraser, who, after an illustrious career, retired in 1821 and died at St. Andrews, near Montreal, on April 19th, 1862.



Chief Factor John Stuart

John Stuart, who accompanied Simon Fraser on his journey and who was a tower of strength to his leader at all times, became a chief factor in the Hudson's Bay service in 1821, and was in command of New Caledonia district from 1809 to 1824. After his retirement, he settled in Forres, Scotland, where he died in 1846. During the winter of 1813 Daniel Harmon, whose journal is a

Indians from Hazelton District Who Attended Pageant

noted piece of British Columbia history, served at Stuart and Fraser lakes under John Stuart, and Harmon expresses himself very highly of his senior's ability.

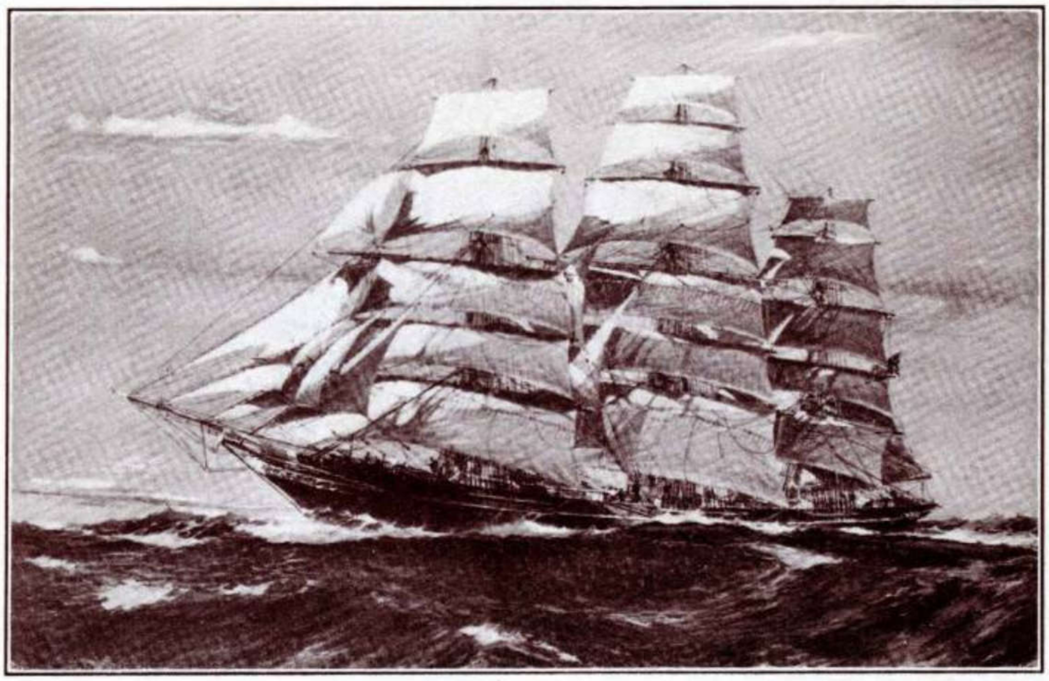
The name of Peter Skene Ogden is also closely identified with Fort St. James, and the career of this famous fur trader in New Caledonia and also on the Columbia river is part of the history of the country. He is described as having been a man of medium height, very stout, active, dignified and imperious, but patient and tactful, kind hearted and courageous and ever keen to protect and forward his Company's interests. Under the pen name of "A Fur Trader," he published a volume of reminiscences, entitled "Traits of American Indian Life and Character," in 1853. He is credited with doing much to advance farming into the New Caledonia district. He died near Oregon City on 27th September, 1854.

William Connolly, who succeeded John Stuart in command in 1824, was an Irishman who came to the New Caledonia district from Norway House. He was appointed chief factor in 1825, and is recorded as being a painstaking man. He left the district in July, 1831. It was during his regime that Sir George Simpson visited Fort St. James in 1828. James Douglas served under him at that period. Chief Factor William Connolly settled later in Montreal and became mayor of the city.

Donald Manson, who was lieutenant to Chief Trader Samuel Black on his famous journey to the source of the Finlay river and northward in 1824, succeeded Peter Skene Ogden in 1844 in command of New Caledonia district.

Chief Factor Peter Warren Dease was another famous fur trader in New Caledonia district. He succeeded William Connolly, and in 1825 to 1827 he conducted part of the Franklin expedition, for which he was rewarded in 1828 with his chief factor's commission. In 1837 to 1839, with Thomas Simpson, he explored the Arctic coast of Canada from the farthest point west reached by Sir John Franklin to the most easterly point reached by Elson in 1826 and filled the gap between points Turnagain and Ogle. He also explored parts of the west coast of Victoria Land and King William's Land.

Fort St. James was the developing ground for some of the most famous of the early fur traders of the west. The present centennial celebration should do much to re-awaken interest in the importance of this famous old New Caledonia capital which played so great a part as an outpost of empire a hundred years ago.



The Days of the Tea Clippers

THE following are extracts from a fine article in the *Blue Peter*, of June, 1928, by Basil Lubbock, in which Mr. Lubbock gives in detail the remarkable record of the clipper *Titania*, which was owned by the Hudson's Bay Company from 1885 to 1893.

In the minute book of the Company under date of 20th October, 1885, is to be found:

"Read report by W. C. Davey, Lloyd's surveyor, on the ship *Titania*, dated 19th instant; ordered that the *Titania* be purchased for £1,400."

Records also show that the *Titania* sailed from the Thames on the 10th January, 1886, and reached Esquimalt on the 1st May of the same year.

"In the days of sail there were certain ships which seamen always fell in love with at first sight, and the dainty *Titania* was one of these. The love of a sailor for his ship has often been compared to the love of a man for his wife, of a mother for her child, of a fox-hunting squire for his hunter, and of a shepherd for his sheep-dog. . . .

"All those who had to do with the *Titania* not only loved her in this fashion, but possessed an abiding pride in her beauty, her sea-going qualities, and, of course, her many fine sailing performances. . . .

"In the spring of 1866, Messrs. Shaw, Lowther & Maxton asked Robert Steele to design and build them an out-and-out tea clipper which would be stiffer and not such a delicate little witch to handle as the *Ariel*. Steele replied by building the *Titania* for them. She was the largest of his tea clipper designs, and with more beam, was undoubtedly the sturdiest in every way. . . .

"In her measurements the *Titania* had the same breadth and depth of hold as the *Cutty Sark* and *Thermopylae*—breadth, 36 feet; depth, 21 feet; but she only measured 200 feet in length, as against their 212 feet 5 inches and 212 feet respectively.

"As regards tonnage, the *Titania* registered 879 tons at Lloyd's by what used to be called customs measurement, her builders' tonnage being 1,222-89/94. Shaw & Maxton's new tea clipper was, of course, composite built, and she was classed in Lloyd's highest class, 19 years AI. . . ."

"*Titania* was launched on November 26th, 1866. . . .

"On her fourth voyage, the *Titania* raced out to Shanghai against the new clipper *Caliph*, and, making the run in 110 days, beat the latter ship by a day. This year Captain Burgoyne took his ship up to Hankow, where he loaded 1,215,190 lbs. of tea. Sailing from Hankow on June 14th. the *Titania* passed Woosung on June 18th, the Scilly Isles on October 5th and reached London on October 8th, 112 days out. The new auxiliary *Oberon*, which was commanded by the veteran Captain Keay, of *Ariel* fame, left Woosung in company with the *Titania* and only reached the London river one day ahead, having had to use her engines the whole way up the Atlantic.

"After coaling at Cape Verde, the *Oberon* had steam up from the N.E. Trades to soundings, and was then obliged to put into Falmouth for coal. One may thus conclude that the *Titania's* passage was in reality an extraordinarily good one. . . . Captain Dowdy then took over the *Titania*, and leaving London on October 27th, 1870, found himself in the Ombay passage with *Taeping* and *Cutty Sark*. The former had sailed ten days ahead of *Titania*, but the *Cutty Sark*, leaving a fortnight behind her, had caught her up. The three crack clippers were in company from January 24th until February 1st, in the usual doldrum weather. In the race up the coast *Titania* had the best of her great rival, anchoring off Shanghai on February 12th, four days ahead of the *Cutty Sark*, which did not get into the river until the evening of the 16th.

"On her passage home during the tea race of 1871, the *Titania* made the best passage of her career. She sailed from Foochow with 1,250,000 lbs. of tea on July 1st, was off Anjer on the 26th, and docked in London on October 2nd, 93 days out, having actually passed the famous *Thermopylae* between Anjer and the Channel . . . ."

"On September 29th she arrived in London from Hull, and was then sold to the Hudson's Bay Company, who loaded her for Victoria, Vancouver Island . . . ."

"When the ship sailed again, on January 10th, Captain Dandy Dunn was in command . . . ."

"The *Titania's* record in the hard Cape Horn trade between London and the new colony of British Columbia was truly astonishing, as may be seen from the following dates:

"Left London Jan. 10, 1886. Passed Start Point Jan. 13. Arrived Victoria, B.C., May 1—108 days.

(*Titania* was at Port Moody on June 2nd, in Victoria Roads on June 12th, and arrived at San Francisco on June 25th to load for home.)

"Left San Francisco Aug. 2. Arrived Dunkirk, via Queenstown Nov. 8—98 days.

(From Dunkirk she reached London on November 22nd.)

Left	*Arrived*	*Days*
London, March 27, 1887	Vancouver, previous to Aug. 10	136
Vancouver, Sept. 26	London, Jan. 17, 1888	113
London, March 28	Vancouver, July 28	122
Vancouver, Sept. 28	London, Jan. 19, 1889	113
Victoria, B.C., Sept. 28	London, Jan. 15, 1890	109

"In 1890 Captain Dunn, whilst returning to the ship after dark at New Westminster, B.C., fell into a sand-pit and was killed. The *Titania* left New Westminster on November 21st, 1890, under her mate, and reached London on March 24th, 1891—123 days out.

"On her last passage under the British flag, she was commanded by Captain Selby, who had previously been first officer of the *Cutty Sark*. The dates of Captain Selby's voyage were as follows:

Left	*Arrived*	*Days*
London, July 17	Esquimalt, Nov. 10	116
Victoria, B.C., Jan. 15, 1892	London, May 16	122

"After remaining in port for the rest of 1892, the *Titania* was sold to the Italians (Messrs. P. Pollio & Co.) in the spring of 1893. . . .

"At the beginning of the twentieth century she was owned by a Mrs. Maresca, being managed by the Filli Pollio and commanded by Captain Leboffe. After a series of leisurely voyages to Rio, the Plate, and even as far as Reunion and Melbourne, the old ship was laid up at Marseilles in 1909.

"The end came in March, 1910, when the beautiful ship was broken up, and I have no doubt that the shipbreakers reaped a rich harvest in her superb teakwood planking and fittings, and innumerable copper fastenings."

Back Numbers of "The Beaver"

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H B C Explorers

Thomas Simpson, Explorer of the Western Arctic Coast

By GEORGE PENDLETON, Hudson's Bay Company, Athabasca District

BORN in Dingwall, Ross-shire, on July 2nd, 1808, Thomas Simpson was the elder son, by a second marriage, of Alexander Simpson, a schoolmaster. As a boy, his health was somewhat delicate and it was thought he was doomed to become a victim of tuberculosis. In view of a decision to enter the ministry, he was entered at King's College, Aberdeen, at the age of seventeen. He proved a brilliant scholar, and graduated with the degree of Master of Arts in 1829. During the period of his studies his health improved and he left the university a robust and healthy man. By this time he had abandoned his intention of entering the church, and, receiving an offer of service with the Hudson's Bay Company, he was appointed secretary to his cousin, Mr. (Sir) George Simpson, in Canada. For several years his duties were of a routine nature, but in July, 1836, he was afforded an opportunity to undertake Arctic exploration. As the expedition was to start active operations in 1837, he at once went to Fort Garry and spent some months in enlarging his knowledge of astronomy and practising the arts of a surveyor.

Leaving Fort Garry on December 1st, 1836, he made his way to Fort Chipewayan and joined Mr. Dease, who was nominally the head of the expedition. In the following June the explorers, with twelve men, started for Fort Norman, on the Mackenzie river, where five men were left with orders to proceed to Great Bear lake, and, at a designated spot, prepare a winter encampment. The remainder of the party then left for the mouth of the MacKenzie river, which was reached on July 9th. Turning westward, the party followed the coast line until, in longitude 154° 25' west, their boats were finally stopped by ice. Even to get so far they had often resorted to various expedients, and at times had headed their frail craft to the open ocean to get around vast fields of ice. Determined to proceed westward as far as possible, Simpson, taking five men with him, pushed forward on foot until he reached Point Barrow on August 4th, 1837. At the sight of the long strip of land reaching out into the bleak Arctic wastes, Simpson was jubilant, for he knew that he had connected up with the discoveries made by Elsom from the westward in 1826.

Retracing his footsteps, he rejoined Dease, and the party made its way back up the MacKenzie river and across to Dease bay, on Great Bear lake, to the winter camp, which they had named Fort Confidence. There they remained until June, 1838, when they crossed to the Coppermine river and descended to its mouth. Simpson then started eastward along the coast on foot with seven men, carrying a canvas canoe and provisions for ten days. He reached Cape Alexander, one hundred miles east of Franklin's Turnagain, when his diminishing stock of provisions caused him to turn back. To the north of Cape Alexander he saw an unknown coast, which he named Victoria Land, which proved to be a portion of the great Arctic island discovered by Richardson in 1824, and named by him Wollaston Land.

Once again the party wintered at Fort Confidence, and in June, 1839, returned to Cape Alexander, which was reached by boat on July 26th. Continuing, they reached Back's Point Ogle on August 13th, Montreal Island on August 15th, and finally reached Castor and Pollux Bay in latitude 69° 28' north and longitude 94° 14' west. Turning homeward, they explored 146 miles of the south shore of Victoria Land and reached the mouth of the Coppermine river on September 16th, 1839, after a record Arctic boat journey of 1408 geographical miles. The party had just failed to discover the northwest passage, but had performed an important work in connecting up the discoveries of Elsom, Franklin, Back and Sir John Ross, as well as proving the existence of a sea passage between the mainland and the great Arctic islands. Having finished its work, the expedition returned to Fort Simpson on the MacKenzie river, arriving there on October 14th, 1839.

Simpson, reviewing the results accomplished, had no wish to rest on his laurels. A new map of the Arctic coast line could be made from the results of his discoveries and to it would be added names well known in the fur trade, for to natural features had been given such names as Berens, Halkett, Harrison, Pelly, Colville, Garry, Smith, Pett, Drew and Simpson. So the enthusiast at once plunged into plans for a further journey, by which he hoped to complete the work already done. He was convinced himself that he had discovered the long-sought northwest passage, but by traversing it for its entire length he wished to prove its existence to the rest of the world. To this end he entered into correspondence with everyone whom he thought could further the project. Moreover, he wished to head the next expedition himself. He had worked well with Mr. Dease but, by education and training, had little in common with his superior officer. Mr. Dease, advanced in years, was loyal and dependable, but failing sight and family cares prevented him taking such risks as his young and ardent colleague delighted in. As Simpson truly said, the surveyor to such an expedition was its guide, and as such should be its head. His importunity finally gained results, for a letter to the London Board brought permission to proceed on a further expedition, but the reply, dated London, June 3rd, 1840, never reached him.

In both personnel and matériel, the expedition had been unique. The elderly chief trader and the young Scotsman were totally unlike in habits and abilities. Mr. Dease had accompanied two of Franklin's expeditions, and so had considerable experience in that direction, but at the time of his co-operation with Simpson was anxious to retire into private life. Simpson had been trained for the church, and his science was theoretical rather than practical. In servants the explorers were fortunate in having with them several excellent voyageurs of the old school. Simpson's instruments were few in number and consisted of little, if anything, more than a sextant, compass and a borrowed thermometer; a gold watch, lent him by Chief Factor Edwards Smith, was his chronometer; not until the third summer did he obtain a dipping-needle; and a barometer intended for his use was broken before it reached him.

Having attended to the correspondence awaiting him at Fort Simpson, and bidding farewell to Mr. Dease, Simpson set out for Red River, which he reached on February 2nd, 1840. Desiring to revisit his native land he left Fort Garry on June 14th, intending to go via Minnesota, but two days after starting his journey he was killed by a gun-shot wound in the head. Half-breeds travelling with the party deposed that he had suddenly become insane and, after killing two of their companions, had taken his own life. The truth of this has never been proved. His body was taken back to Red River for burial.

Barely thirty-two years of age when he died, Thomas Simpson had accomplished much and had taken a place among Canada's greatest explorers.

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Captain William Henry McNeill

In September issue of *The Beaver*, page 64, we published an interesting article on "Captain William Henry McNeill" from the pen of Mr. J. R. Anderson, of Victoria. By a typographical error the ship *Vincennes* was referred to as an "H B" ship. The *Vincennes*, of course, was a United States vessel.

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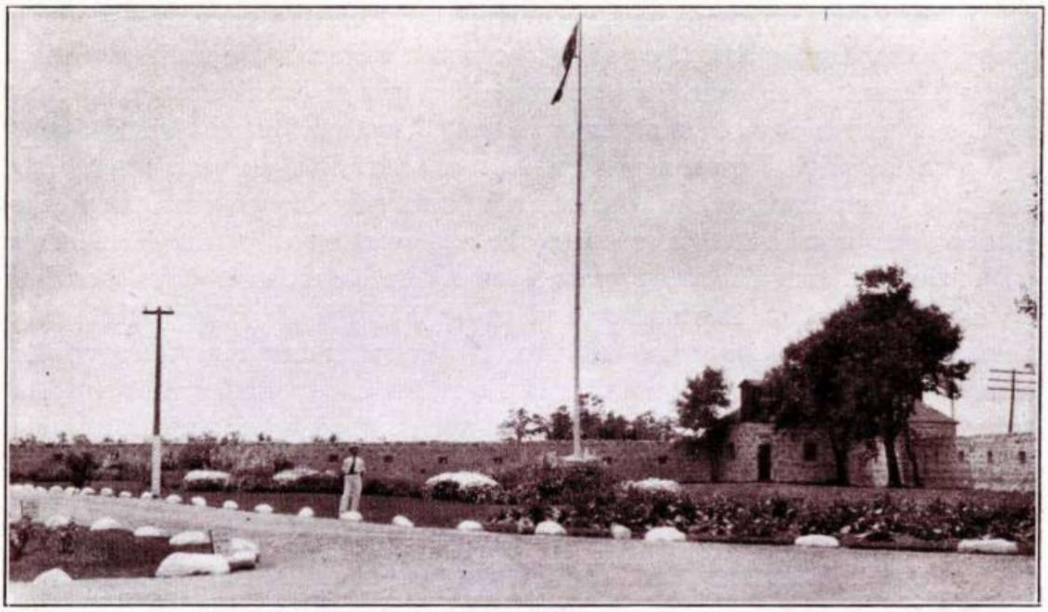
Our Cover Picture

Our cover picture is a reproduction of our Historical Calendar for 1929. It is entitled "Red River Carts Leaving Fort Garry 1863," and is the work of Mr. Adam Sherriff Scott, of Montreal, the artist who is responsible for the mural paintings above the elevator entrances on the main floor of our Winnipeg store. A short description of this scene and a historical note on Red River carts are printed on the back of each calendar.



Lower Fort Garry, Interior, Southwest Bastion and South Wall

Council Meeting

Lower Fort Garry, 24th October, 1928

THE second Council meeting of the officers of the Company of recent years, and the first at which every branch of the service was represented, was held at Lower Fort Garry on 24th October, 1928. Officers from the Fur Trade, Land Department, Stores, Wholesale, Overseas Settlement and Development Department were present, together with Mr. A. K. Graham, member of the Committee in London, Mr. George W. Allan, K.C., member of the Committee in London and chairman of the Canadian Committee; Chief Factor James Thomson, Mr. R. J. Gourley and Mr. C. S. Riley, members of the Canadian Committee. Mr. James A. Richardson was unavoidably absent.

The Council was held in the residence at Lower Fort Garry, where in years gone by Sir George Simpson and Sir Donald A. Smith held council with the commissioned officers of the Company. Governor Sale presided and delivered an inspiring address to the officers present. Behind the Governor, occupying the space almost from floor to ceiling, was a large oil painting of Sir George Simpson, from the Fur Trade Commissioner's office. This painting was one of three done by Stephen Pearce in 1856 at the request of the chief factors and chief traders of the Company as a mark of their respect for Sir George Simpson's talents, and it shed an atmosphere of inspiration over the gathering that nothing else could have done.

During the proceedings, commissions were presented to Chief Factor Ralph Parsons, of the St. Lawrence-Labrador district; Factor Louis Romanet, of the Mackenzie River district; and Factor John Bartleman, of Superior-Huron district; confirming the appointments received by these gentlemen last year.

Luncheon was served in the dining room of the residence, after which an inspection of the points of interest was made and photographs of the party taken.

In the morning, before proceeding to the Lower Fort, the visiting officers were shown over the Company's Fur Trade Depot at 93 Main Street and also the power plant of the Winnipeg saleshop.

The guests were entertained to dinner by the Governor during the evening in the Company's saleshop dining-room. During the dinner and subsequently, the Princess Patricia's band under the leadership of Captain T. W. James entertained with music. One item provided by the band, entitled "In Canada," was of special interest, as it comprised old folk songs arranged by W. E. Delaney, who, in the early days, was connected with the Company. In this piece were two lines of an old "Red River Valley" song which must bring back memories to old-timers:

> "Consider awhile ere you leave me. Don't hasten to bid me adieu.
> Remember the Red River Valley and the maid who would die now for you."

A film, taken by Mr. P. A. Chester, our chief accountant, depicting the Sir George Simpson centennial celebration at Fort St. James and the unveiling of the tablet in Sir George Simpson's honour at Simpson Pass, provided much entertainment for the guests.

H B C *Council Meeting, Lower Fort Garry, 24th October, 1928*

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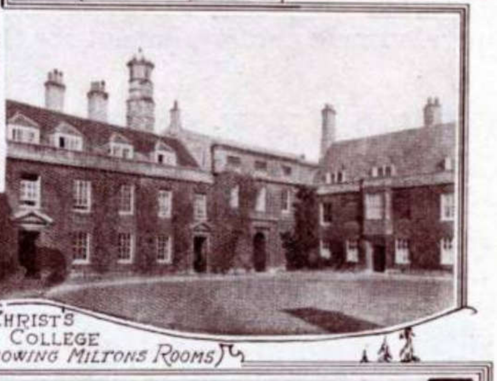
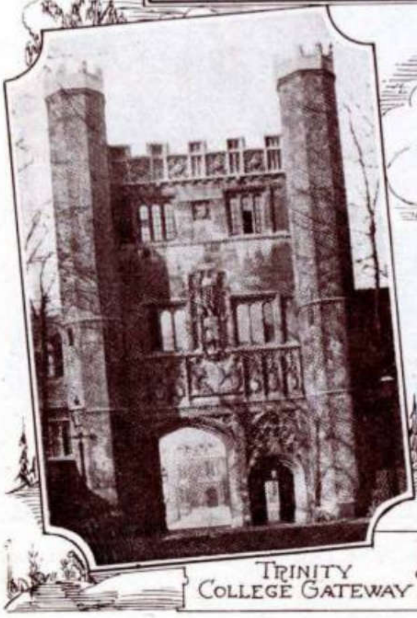
QUEEN'S COLLEGE (RIVER FRONT with BRIDGE)



CHRIST'S COLLEGE (SHOWING MILTON'S ROOMS)



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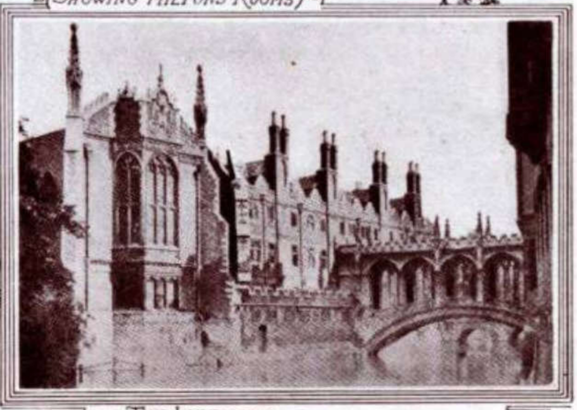

THE LIBRARY & BRIDGE of SIGHS (ST JOHN'S COLLEGE)

Cambridge University

By MISS A. LEE, Hudson's Bay Company, London, England

SOME time ago, the Beaver Club ventured so far afield as Cambridge. We were met at Cambridge by Mr. FitzGerald, a gentleman with a wealth of knowledge of the old colleges and their traditions whom Mr. Forbes had persuaded to act as our guide. The station being some distance out of the town, we went in by motor coach.

We commenced our little tour at Trinity College, founded by King Henry the Eighth, whose statue is a feature of the Great Gate, which forms the entrance to the college. Under this gate we passed into the Great Court, whose paths have been trodden, in years gone by, by many great Englishmen—for Trinity College boasts such names as Isaac Newton, Thackeray, Macaulay and Lord Byron among its one-time students. There is a superb memorial statue to Sir Isaac Newton by Roubiliac in the ante-chapel, which is considered to be one of this famous sculptor's greatest works of art.

After seeing the chapel and the hall, with its many portraits of renowned members, we passed through Nevill's Court, in which Lord Byron had his rooms, to the bridge, from where we had a delightful view of the famous Cambridge "Backs." It is a feature of those colleges which lie along the banks of the river that each has its own bridge, and the view along the quiet little stream, with the grand old colleges—many overgrown with creeper—on the one bank, and the rich green lawns and trees on the other, and the lovely little bridges, is one of the most fascinating and beautiful of scenes.

We went into St. John's College, founded by the Lady Margaret Beaufort, mother of King Henry the Seventh, and admired the picturesque gateway tower, richly ornamented with emblems of the Beaufort and Tudor families. One of the outstanding features of St. John's College is the gallery, now used as a combination room for the fellows—a long, low room, with panelled walls and ornamented plaster ceiling, which has a wonderfully romantic, old-world atmosphere.

Our guide pointed out to us, in this college, the rooms which were occupied by the gay and handsome young Earl of Southampton, who was the patron of William Shakespeare at the Court of Queen Elizabeth.

We hurried from St. John's College to King's, in order to see the chapel before four o'clock, when it is closed to the public. This famous chapel was commenced in the reign of King Henry the Sixth, but building was delayed by the Wars of the Roses. King Henry the Seventh contributed largely to the funds for its final completion, in commemoration of which the decorative scheme of the well-known Tudor rose and Beaufort portcullis run riot in the ante-chapel. The beautifully vaulted roof and magnificently carved stalls are features of this chapel.

From King's, we went to Queens' College, so called because it was founded by Queen Margaret, wife of King Henry the Sixth, and refounded by Queen Elizabeth, wife of King Edward the Fourth. The second, or Cloister Court, as it is called, with its old timbered President's Lodge, is wonderful and quaint. The sombre little hall, too, is beautiful, with its dark classical woodwork and severe lines. Indeed, this college has a strong appeal, and strikes quite a different note from the others we visited.

From Queens' College we wended our way back to the University Arms hotel to partake, with keen appreciation, of an appetising and refreshing tea.

With renewed enthusiasm, we next visited Emmanuel College, founded on the site of an old Dominican monastery, whose founder, a Puritan (Sir Walter Mildmay), in his disregard for old traditions, caused the chapel to by built from north to south. This old chapel is now used as the library. The present chapel was designed by Sir Christopher Wren, once a member of the committee of the Hudson's Bay Company. John Harvard, the founder of Harvard University in America, was a member of Emmanuel College, and his association with the college is commemorated by a stained glass window and by a memorial tablet placed in the chapel by the Harvard University. We passed through the subway which leads under Emmanuel street to the north court—of comparatively recent date—and from there went on to Christ's College, founded by the Lady Margaret Beaufort, the gateway, as in the case of St. John's College, being lavishly decorated with emblems of the foundress' family. The garden of Christ's—associated with John Milton—is famous for its old-world beauty.

Lastly, we visited the Sidney Sussex College, built on the site of a Franciscan monastery sacked in the reign of King Henry the Eighth.

We saw and learnt so much that it has been possible to give only the briefest indication of all that interested us.

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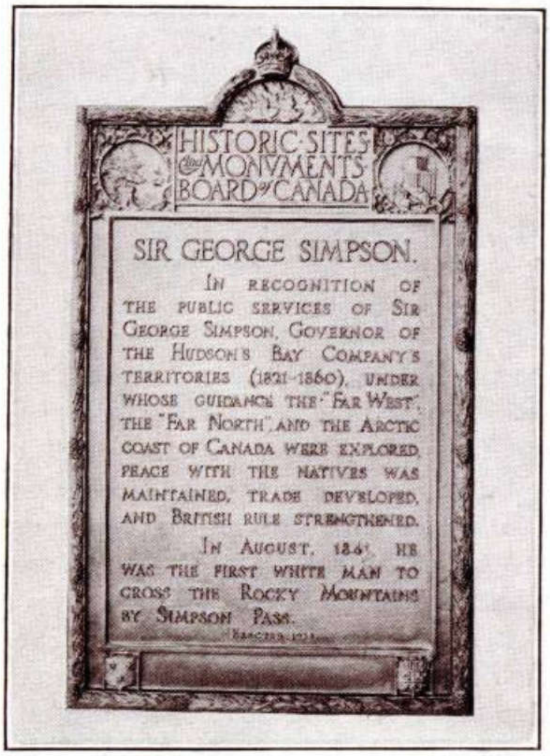
Unveiling of Tablet in Honour of Sir George Simpson at Simpson Pass



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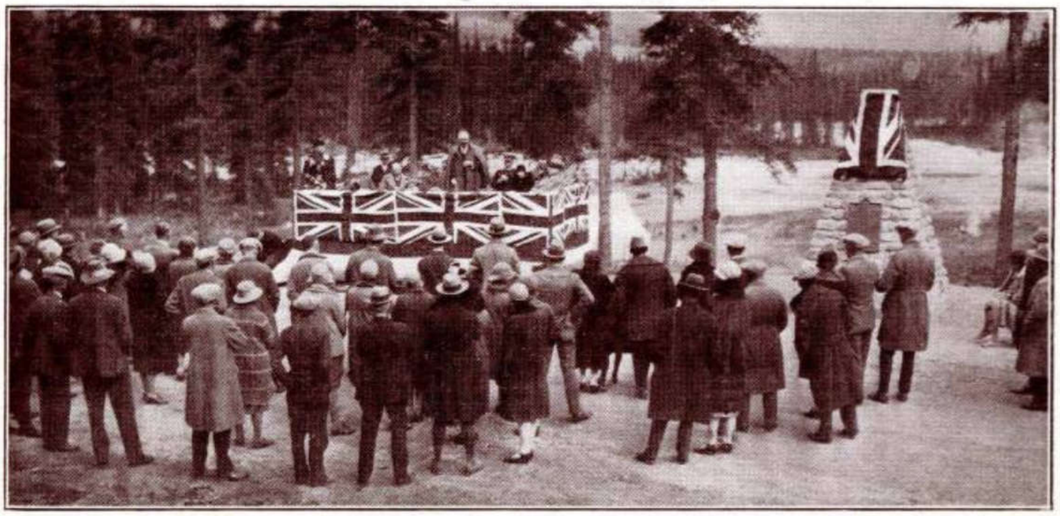
IN RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICES OF SIR GEORGE SIMPSON, GOVERNOR OF THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY'S TERRITORIES (1821-1860), UNDER WHOSE GUIDANCE THE "FAR WEST", THE "FAR NORTH", AND THE ARCTIC COAST OF CANADA WERE EXPLORED, PEACE WITH THE NATIVES WAS MAINTAINED, TRADE DEVELOPED, AND BRITISH RULE STRENGTHENED.

IN AUGUST, 1841, HE WAS THE FIRST WHITE MAN TO CROSS THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS BY SIMPSON PASS.

Leaving Fort St. James on the evening of 17th September, our Governor, Mr. C. V. Sale, with His Honour R. Randolph Bruce, lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, Miss Mackenzie, niece of the lieutenant-governor, Judge F. W. Howay, and party travelled to Calgary, thence by the Banff-Windermere high road to Simpson Pass to officiate at the ceremony of the unveiling of the tablet in honour of Sir George Simpson on 20th September, by invitation from the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada.

Our Governor addressed the gathering and unveiled the tablet. Lieutenant-Governor R. Randolph Bruce, Mr. T. C. Elliott, of Walla Walla, U.S.A., and Judge F. W. Howay also delivered addresses on the great work done by Sir George Simpson for the British Empire while performing his duties as governor of Rupert's Land and the territories of British North America for the Hudson's Bay Company.



H B C Posts, Keewatin District

No. 10—Island Lake Post

By S. J. C. CUMMING, District Manager

ISLAND Lake post is situated at the west end of the lake of that name in northeastern Manitoba. The lake is seventy-five miles long by fifty miles at its greatest width, and derives its name from the great number of islands, stated to be in the neighbourhood of three thousand four hundred, scattered throughout this expanse. The post was originally located at Sagawechewan at the east end of the lake. The exact date of the establishment of the first post is not known, but three pages of a diary recently discovered in the possession of an old-timer at Norway House indicate that it was in existence in 1824. The following is an extract from these old pages:

"Sunday, December 19th, 1824—Same weather. This afternoon my men arrived from Oxford House, accompanied by Mr. D. McKenzie, who brings the disagreeable intelligence of the entire destruction of Norway House, and depot of goods, which was valuable. The provisions, consisting of about 90 bags of pemmican, being in a store by itself escaped the flames."

The name of the writer of the diary is not given, but a Mr. Fleming is mentioned, who presumably was the assistant manager. A few years later, Island Lake post was abandoned on account of the scarcity of country produce, most of the Indians moving to Trout Lake, while others went to Little Grand Rapids and Oxford House. About the year 1840, the post was again established, this time at a point about half a mile south of the present location. William McKay was the manager. Again, however, the scarcity of country produce forced the abandonment of the post until the late fall of 1864, when Cuthbert Sinclair proceeded from Oxford House post with one York boat and built the post on its present site.

The Indians of the Island Lake band are mostly Salteaux, and through contact with the Crees at Norway House speak a mixed dialect of Salteaux and Cree. These people are below the average height of the Indian tribes and present a peculiar squat appearance, and there has been some controversy lately regarding the reason for this, one writer going the length of suggesting that these people have Eskimo blood, the story being that women of a wandering Eskimo tribe were captured near Severn, on Hudson Bay, many years ago, and were taken inland by the Indians.

Treaty was first paid about nineteen years ago. There are now two Indian reserves at Island Lake, one situated at Smooth Rock and the other at Maria Portage, eight and ten miles respectively from the post.

The distance from Norway House to Island Lake is approximately one hundred and seventy miles, and freight is taken in by canoe via Norway House, Jack River, Ponask, over the height of land, and thence by numerous inland lakes and portages to the post.

The United Church of Canada and the Roman Catholic Church both have missions at Island Lake.

Sufficient potatoes and vegetables of all kinds are grown at the post to supply the winter requirements of the staff.

The following men have been in charge since it was established on its present location: Cuthbert Sinclair, 1864; — Macdonald, 1868-1872; — Savage, 1872-1873; Tom Linklater, 1873-1891; W. Campbell, 1891-1896 and 1906-1909; Bob Whiteway, 1896-1906; C. B. Isbister, 1909-1917; E. T. Blundell, 1917-1920; G. Souter, 1920-1922; and Geo. C. M. Collins, the present manager.

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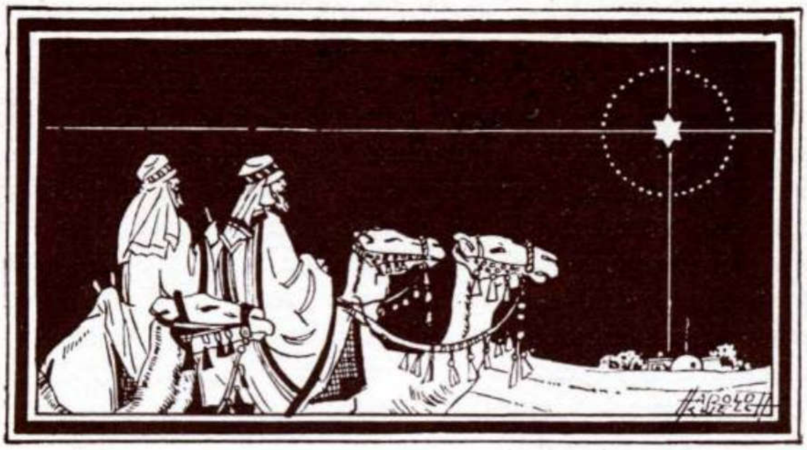
Books

The scholar only knows how dear these silent yet eloquent companions of pure thoughts and innocent hours become in the season of adversity. When all that is worldly turns to dross around us, these retain their steady value. When friends grow cold, and the converse of intimates languishes into vapid civility and commonplace, these continue the unaltered countenance of happier days, and cheer us with that true friendship which never deceived hope nor deserted sorrow.—*Washington Irving*.

Except a living man, there is nothing more wonderful than a book! a message to us from the dead—from human souls we never saw, who lived perhaps thousands of miles away. And yet these, in those little sheets of paper, speak to us, arouse us, terrify us, teach us, comfort us, open their hearts to us as brothers.—*Charles Kingsley*.

Good books are to the young mind what the warming sun and refreshing rain of spring are to the seeds which have lain dormant in the frosts of winter.—*Horace Mann*.



The Story of Old

AND Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he was of the house and lineage of David).

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this *shall be* a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen *it*, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard *it* wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered *them* in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

Artificial Silk

By A. E DODMAN, Hudson's Bay Company, Wholesale, Montreal

AS artificial silk (or Rayon as it has become generally known) is rapidly assuming a very important place in the textile trade, a few words regarding its origin and use will undoubtedly be of interest and value to all readers of *The Beaver*.

The silkworm feeds on vegetable matter (chiefly Mulberry leaves), which is assimilated and acted upon by the various acids contained in the worm and exuded in a long fibre known as pure silk, which has throughout the ages been acknowledged the *par excellence* of all textile fibres.

This inspired scientists to emulate the example of this little worm and to produce by man-made means a fibre that would be similar in texture and adaptable to the same uses as silk. The earliest attempts were made in 1754 by Reaumer, a French scientist. Subsequently various other attempts were made by French, Swiss and English scientists, and in 1863 a Mr. Swan, in England, invented a method of making a fibre from nitro-cellulose which later became a recognized basis of artificial silk. In 1884 he exhibited a fabric made of this fibre, designated as artificial silk, the first fibre to be known by this name.

The first commercially successful synthetic or man-made fibre was invented by Chardonnet, of France, from a cellulose base obtained from the Mulberry tree, for which he obtained a patent in 1884. This was, however, exceedingly shiny, harsh to the touch, and extremely flammable. Efforts were then made to de-nitrate and otherwise improve the fabric, and in 1899 he introduced his new product at the Paris exposition for which he received the Grand Prix.

After this successful commercial introduction of one synthetic fibre, many scientists devoted their time to research on cellulose chemistry, attempting to perfect the method invented by Chardonnet and to discover new processes of producing textile materials. There are now several varieties of artificial silk, each made from an entirely different basis, the two most popular of which are pulp wood and cotton linters.

There is no intention in this article to attempt to go into chemical intricacies, but merely to explain that these materials are reduced by chemical means to a glutinous substance which is forced through tiny glass tubes and emerges into a chemical bath which solidifies it. As there are different bases and processes, so there are different results, and we have what is generally termed Rayon, produced from nitro-cellulose, and other varieties (among which are Celanese, Bemberg, etc.) are produced from acetate-cellulose, the base for which is cotton linters. Thus each is distinctly different in chemical and physical properties from the other, each giving different results in wear, and requiring different treatments regarding dyeing *et cetera*.

The first woven fabric in which artificial silk was successfully used was brought out in 1915 and known as "Baronette" satin, but it was not until after the war that any of these fibres became a really important factor in textile production. There is now scarcely any item of ladies' wear, many items for men's wear, and almost all items in house furnishings and draperies, in which artificial silk is not used in some form or other, the latest innovation being its use in table linens, in which some very beautiful examples may now be seen in our stores.

Research work is going on and improvements in the way of reducing the lustre and increasing the tensile strength, particularly when wet (this being one of its greatest drawbacks), are constantly being made. Many complaints regarding its wear were made a few years ago and its early doom was predicted, but the improvements to date have been so great, and are daily increasing, so that one feels safe in saying that it is destined to become a most important factor and will fill a very useful place in the textile world.

Some idea of its rapid growth may be gathered from the fact that in 1896 production was confined to the Chardonnet mill at Bescancon, France, the total production of which was one million pounds. In 1900 the world's total production had only grown to two million pounds, and thereafter increased at about the rate of two million pounds per year up till 1918, at which time it was about thirty-two million pounds. In the past ten years it has increased so rapidly that a conservative estimate of the output for 1928 is given as three hundred million pounds, of which the United States will produce over twenty-five per cent, occupying first place in this industry. Italy is second, and Great Britain third.

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Getting Down to Brass Tacks

Half a century ago, a common method of measuring cloth in country dry goods stores was for the clerk to stretch the material from the tip of his nose to the end of his outstretched right arm. That was considered thirty-six inches. But when long-nosed short-armed clerks seemed to be increasing in numbers, the public began to remonstrate. Yardsticks were then introduced, but these proved too easy to manipulate to satisfy the suspicious customer, so they were superceded by seven brass tacks driven into the counter six inches apart, the space from end to end being a just yard. Whenever any old-fashioned clerk, in a moment of forgetfulness reverted to the smelling, short-arm method of measurement, he was generally ordered by the shrewd customer to "get down to brass tacks."

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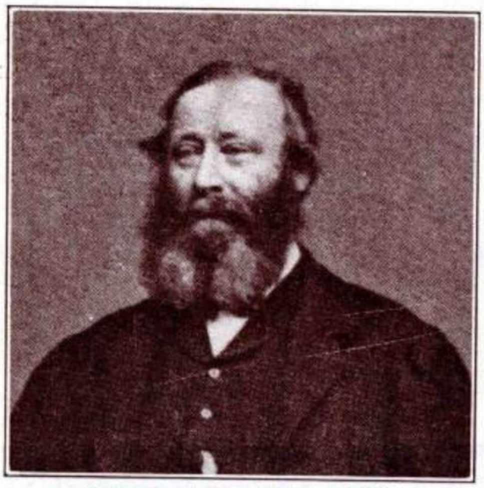
If you want knowledge, you must toil for it. Toil is the law. Pleasure comes through toil and not by self-indulgence and idolence. When one gets to love work, his life is a happy one.—*Ruskin.*

Venerable Buildings at Moose Factory

By H. M. S. COTTER, Hudson's Bay Company, Cumberland House

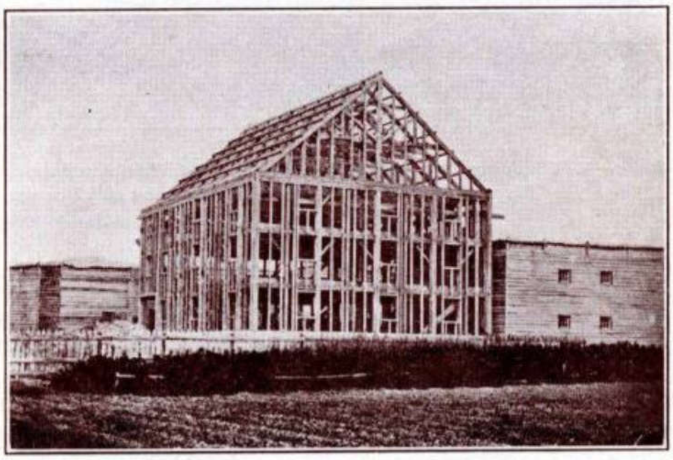
THE accompanying authentic photograph shows two of the Company's buildings at Moose Factory, and I think it safe to say there is no other photograph in existence showing a building of the Company in Canada erected in the days of King George the Third. The old flat-roofed building in the picture was erected in the latter years of the eighteenth century, perhaps about 1765, and stood for well over a century. It was demolished about 1870 or during the period the new building (in frame) was being put up. In verification regarding the age of the building, I may add that when it was demolished silver coins of the reign of George the Third were taken from the corner stone and preserved at Moose in my father's office.



Chief Factor James Anderson (B)

The entire business of Moose Factory and surrounding country was done in this old building. All kinds of old war accoutrements were stored in its upper storeys, including cannon wheels, sabres, flintlock muskets fitted with bayonets, and hundreds of solid and hollow iron cannon ball.

Some years previous to its demolition, its roof was built in the form of embattlements, behind which brass cannon were mounted. This was not so much as a protection against the Indians but more for a wholesome regard for the activities of the French, who from an earlier day were wont to descend without warning upon those outposts of our Empire, and the traditions of those earlier times were never forgotten. I remember, as a boy, how the old-timers would speak in awed tones of the furious Frenchmen lying in ambush, ready to jump on the unwary English trader. It is a



curious fact how these old legends persist around many Hudson's Bay posts and are handed down from generation to generation.

With regard to the building in course of construction in the year 1870, this photograph is interesting, as it shows the solid and excellent constructional work of buildings put up by the Company in those early years. English, Scottish and native carpenters were responsible for its construction, and it speaks well for their handiwork, for, after standing sixty years, I am informed it is still in good condition. The framework includes many heavy twelve-by-twelve timbers, all solidly bolted together and reinforced with heavy iron and natural grown wooden knees, somewhat after the construction of a wooden ship. The whole framework is morticed and tennoned throughout and not toe-capped and run up as modern buildings are. The late Chief Factor James Anderson (B) was the architect and contractor, and it is estimated a quarter of a million feet of hand-sawn lumber entered into its construction. The buildings were known as the "Old Factory" and the "New Factory."

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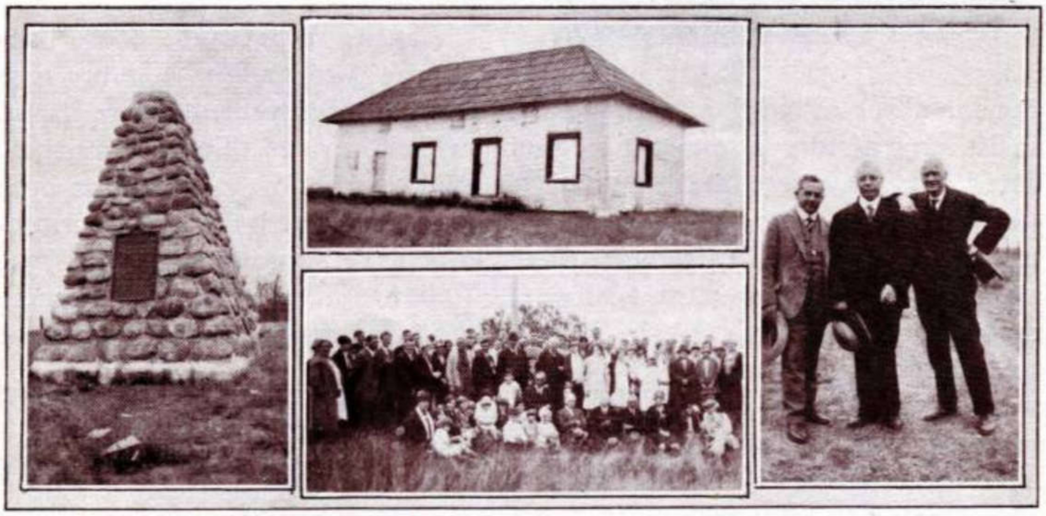
Fort Langley



Cairn—Old Building (now museum)—Picnic Group, 101st Anniversary (1928)—Robert Watson (editor of The Beaver), Judge F. W. Howay (Historic Sites and Monuments Board), Frank Burnett (author and South Sea Islands explorer)

Historical information on the tablet of the cairn at Fort Langley: "The first trading post on the Pacific Coast of Canada. Built in 1827 by Hudson's Bay Company. Destroyed by fire and rebuilt here in 1840.

The scene of the first agriculture and the first fishery in British Columbia. The birthplace of the Colony of B.C., 19th day of November, 1858.

Laugh

And the World Laughs With You

Visitor—Isn't it difficult to keep your household budget straight?

Mrs. Newlywed—My dear, it's terrible. This month I've had to put in four mistakes to make mine balance correctly.

She—Do you believe in clubs for women?

He—Yes, if kindness fails.

Mike and Ike were separating after an evening together, when Mike said:

"Au revoir."

"Begorra, what's that?" asked Ike.

"Thot's good-bye in French."

"Well," said Ike, "Carbolic acid."

"And whot's that?" asked Mike.

"Thot's good-bye in any language."

She—I took the recipe for this cake out of the cook book.

He (after sampling)—You did perfectly right, dear; it should never have been put there.

"Yer don't mean to tell me the bloke choked a woman to death in a crowded cafe an' no one interfered?"

"Yes. They all thought it was some new dance."

"For beating your wife, I will fine you $1.10," said the judge.

"I don't object to the dollar," said the prisoner, "But what is the ten cents for?"

"That," said the judge, "is the tax on amusements."

Old Maid—Has the canary had its bath?

Servant—Yes, he has, mum; you can come in now.

A mother said to her little son, "Why can't you be a good boy, dear?"

He replied, "Well, mother, I'll be good for a nickel."

Mother, "For shame, son, you ought to be like your father, good for nothing."

"When did you first become acquainted with your husband?"

"The first time I asked him for money after we were married."

A young couple were entertaining some of their friends when they realized that all their plans for entertainment had been exhausted. The situation was becoming critical, but the young husband had the idea of seeing who could make the ugliest face.

The contest was agreed upon; and, after the judges were appointed, the guests tried and tried to make ugly faces.

When the time came for a decision, one of the judges walked up to one of the women and said: "We have decided to give the prize to you."

The guest replied; "Pardon me, but I wasn't playing."

Jim—Are you sure your wife knows I'm coming up for dinner?

Bim—Sure thing, I argued with her about it for an hour.

"How would you punctuate this sentence? 'Phyllis coming down the street in a split skirt smiled sweetly at the boys.'"

"I would make a dash after Phyllis."

Little Boy (in monkey house at zoo)—Look, Maw, there's a boomerang!

Mother—That's not a boomerang, son; It's a bamboo!

"Do ye belave in dhrames, Riley?"

"Oi do," was Riley's reply.

"Phwat's it a sign of if a married man dhrames he's a bachelor?"

"It's a sign thot he's going to meet wid a great disappointment."

An Englishman heard an owl for the first time.

"What was that?" he asked.

"An owl," was the reply.

"My dear fellah, I know that, but what was 'owling?"

STAFF SUPPLEMENT

News from Stores, Posts and Branches

A Merry Christmas

Vancouver

It is with much pleasure that I again express to all ranks in the British Columbia and Southern Alberta stores my sincere thanks for their loyal support during the past twelve months.

I trust that all employees will have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

P. J. PARKER.

FASHION REVIEW

Of importance ushering in as it did the social and fashion seasons, the fashion revue given Friday, 21st October, in the Georgian Restaurant was a notable success.

Mannequins were members of Vancouver's smart younger set, members of the Junior Service Club, while members of our own staff acted as advisers and assisted in the quick changing of frocks and accessories.

Quite continental was the atmosphere, onlookers enjoying tea at the many tables, for which every reservation was taken. Introduced from the platform at one end of the room, the mannequins graciously promenaded down a raised platform which extended the length of the room; the while an orchestra rendered softened music.

Two adorable little pages in pink satin suits, the daughters of Mrs. R. P. Baker and Mrs. Lefevre Baker, ushered in the new season, bearing white satin banners to that effect. Next came Mrs. Tom Ramsay, a charming lady of 1880, in pale gold costume of that period, whose silhouette bore a striking resemblance to the silhouette of to-day. Followed frock after frock, some from Paris, some from London, each complemented by perfectly chosen accessories, hats and shoes. Both afternoon and evening displays were given, the latter a more formal affair, as many of the guests attended in evening dress. Smart dinner and supper parties were given before and after the performance.

GALLERY OF PICTURES

One of the greatest attractions that has come to the Vancouver store is a gallery of pictures, titled "The Epic of Western Canada," a series by the well-known Vancouver artist, John Innes. These pictures have been viewed by thousands of people from all parts of the world.

The group of paintings has been founded on the personal experiences and investigations of the artist extending over almost half a century, and depicts scenes such as were well known by the pioneers of the Company.

The Wilderness
Pioneer Traders
Pioneer Lumbering
Red River Cart
The Indians
The Prospector
The Pathfinder
The Fur Hunters

et cetera, are all touched upon—an inspiration to older people and instructive to the younger folks—that stir the imagination and impress upon the beholder the difficulties and dangers overcome by the pioneers of our race.

TOYLAND

The Christmas shopping season started in Vancouver with the opening of Toyland on 17th November and the annual Christmas plays for children, held this year at the Strand Theatre. For weeks past clever write-ups have been framed by Mrs. E. Denton, of our advertising staff, in which she kept the children interested in his daily voyaging by her imagination. 17th November saw 6,000 kiddies meet Santa for the first time this year. A wonderful play was staged by Gladys Attree's one hundred pupils, in three shows, at nine, ten and eleven. At twelve noon, same day, Santa Claus occupied his igloo in Toyland on the sixth floor. It was a great welcome he received. We doubt if any Santa ever received a greater. Toyland was never so fairy-like. Every column was covered by fairy pictures, and it was interesting to listen to the kiddies' remarks as they saw first one and then another of them. We are looking for a new record of toy sales this Christmas, and Vancouver knows no disappointments along this line.

SANTA HAS HIS TEA PARTIES

These will be held daily except Wednesday. And while the charge has been raised to 20 cents this year, it is better worth it. The cafeteria has been nicely decorated for the occasion and there are to be two shows daily. It is going to be a merry Christmas for kiddies at this store.

STAFF GUESTS AT THEATRE PARTY

In recognition of the loyal enthusiasm of the store staff during the rush of the Department Managers' Sale, the management of the Company entertained the employees at a theatre party in the Orpheum, Thursday evening, 15th November.

The employees gathered in the store building and proceeded to the theatre, where, owing to co-operation of the Company management with "Gerry and Her Baby Grands," they enjoyed a merry evening.

Hudson's Bay Company songs and yells were given by the staff with gusto, and other patrons of the theatre were swept into the spirit of goodwill which exists among those who work together in our big department store.

Enthusiasm and energy of the employees made the Department Managers' Sale a great success, and the spirit of the employees during those strenuous days led to the comment that the whole staff seems imbued with the Christmas spirit already.

W. H. SHARPE MARRIES

A quiet wedding took place on Friday afternoon, October 12th, at 3.30 o'clock, when Violet Louise, daughter of Mrs. John Youngman, of London, became the bride of W. H. Sharpe, manager of our carpet department. Rev. A. H. Sovereign performed the ceremony, which was attended only by immediate family and Mr. and Miss Cowbourne, of Auckland, New Zealand. The bride was given in marriage by Mrs. John Edmunds, and wore a French gown of beige georgette and lace, with a hat in contrasting colours. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe left for a short honeymoon in the south.

N. DOUGLAS ENTERTAINS

N. Douglas entertained the salespeople of his section on 5th November at his home in Kerrisdale. Cards, dancing and contests filled the evening. A hilarious time was enjoyed and the evening came to a close all too quickly. The winners of the contests were N. Clare, E. Clements, and assisting at the piano were the Misses Watson and Cobb. Twenty-five people were present.

READY-TO-WEAR

No less than four weddings have taken place within the last few weeks from the ready-to-wear department. Emma Hyland is now Mrs. Thompson. Ethel Laughton is now Mrs. Allen. Joyce Cane is now Mrs. Stewart. Gertie Munn is now Mrs. Young. The department presented Emma with a case of cutlery. To Ethel they presented a silver tea service, and to Joyce a coffee percolator.

SPORTSWEAR

Mrs. Viser has left us to go to Ocean Falls, where she will reside.

Mrs. Bowles has left us to take up her residence in London, England.

We have a new sporting goods buyer, B. Thurston, who comes to Vancouver to do things in the **H B C** way. He was born in Neepawa, a village 117 miles west of Winnipeg, and before coming to Vancouver was in the employ of Ashdown's, Winnipeg, for ten years.

J. H. South is a new buyer in the basement store. He had fifteen years experience with T. Eaton Company and was recently with Hollingsworth, Winnipeg.

The advertising department of the Vancouver store send Christmas greeting to advertising departments in all other branches of the Company's service, with this rider, that they may all enjoy a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

A. Andrews, buyer of women's sportswear, is on another extended buying trip in the eastern markets.

W. E. Townsend, buyer of furniture, has returned from a buying trip in which he visited all the factories around Ontario, as well as many in the U.S.A.

We welcome to the store T. Fargey, who is floor manager on the second floor.

W. W. Fraser is back with us after an operation. We are pleased to see him again at his post.

$167.00 a minute is a record set by Reg. Standfield, of the radio department, Vancouver store, recently. This continued for forty-five minutes, resulting in sales of **$7,500.**

D. Dickinson has been transferred from the traffic office to Mr. Penny's office.

S. Cartwright has taken D. Farquhar's place in the traffic office.

We wish to welcome Herman G. Trumpler to the traffic office, and Lilian Martin, Ruby Wilks, P. Hindmarsh to the audit office.

Madge McWilliams has left the store to join the staff of the B.C. Electric Railway Company. We wish her every success.

M. Low, who came to us from the Swift Canadian Company, Winnipeg, has found a welcome home with us. Mr. Low is of Scottish birth, and perhaps that accounts for his long stay of seventeen years with his previous employer. He is married, and has one boy.

The many friends in the store of E. Morley, of the general manager's office, will be glad to know that she is now on the way to recovery. We hope it will not be long before we have her back with us.

J. Leslie has left the jewellery department and is now in the employ of Black Bros.

R. Walker has been transferred from department 59 to the drug department.

SPORT

Golf—Golf for 1928 has been a real success with the Vancouver store employees. Monthly competitions were arranged, both for medal and match play, and the prizes were keenly fought for by the forty odd members.

The season was brought to a fitting close with the most successful competition of the year. The match play on handicap for the Governor's golf trophy, presented to this store for yearly competition by Governor C. V. Sale. Twenty-eight players teed off in the first round and after many tight matches and exciting finishes, with A. V. Stedham forging steadily ahead to win. W. H. Sharpe, playing his usual cold and calculating game, finished second as a close runner-up.

The success of the golf competitions held during the past season have in a large measure been due to the untiring efforts of R. C. Moore, popular golf wizard of the sporting goods department, whose pet hobby is better golf, and more of it.

There are still a few vacancies in the **H B C** Golf Club. Members wishing to join will find sister clubs to those used by A. V. Stedham in the sporting goods section, second floor. Ask for R. C. Moore; he will wait upon you.—*F. S. Garner.*

Victoria

MEMORIAL IS UNVEILED ON SITE OF FORT VICTORIA

On Wednesday afternoon, 14th November last, Mrs. Edward M. Mohun, one of the few living persons who were married in the enclosure of Fort Victoria, unveiled a bronze plaque marking the site of the northeast bastion which stood on what is now the corner of Government and Bastion streets. On this site there now stands the handsome business offices of Miller, Court & Company.

The ceremony was attended by a large gathering of pioneers. Three occupants of the platform were contemporaries of the fort, which existed from 1843 to 1860—Mrs. Mohun, Mr. J. R. Anderson and Mrs. Manson.

Lieutenant-Governor R. Randolph Bruce attended in his capacity as patron of the British Columbia Historical Association, under whose auspices the function was carried out.

Speeches were made by Mr. V. L. Denton, president of the British Columbia Historical Association, His Honour R. Randolph Bruce, Mr. James Anderson, Mr. P. B. Fowler, president of the Chamber of Commerce; Mr. George Simpson McTavish; also Premier Tolmie, himself the son of a noted pioneer.

Among those representing pioneer families were Mrs. Fitzherbert Bullen and Mrs. W. R. Higgins, granddaughters of Sir James and Lady Douglas, and Mr. G. G. Bushby, a grandson.

The family of Bishop Cridge was represented by Mrs. Laundy and Mrs. Cran, daughters.

Mrs. S. F. Tolmie and the Misses Tolmie, of Cloverdale, represented the family of Dr. W. F. Tolmie, who formed the link between Fort Victoria and Fort Vancouver, Wash.

Miss Finlayson, daughter of Mr. Roderick Finlayson, who was chief executive at the fort in 1844-1849, was a guest.

Miss Macdonald, daughter of the late Senator Macdonald, appeared for the family long connected with Armadale.

Mr. Francis H. Ross brought the original commission from the Hudson's Bay Company appointing his grandfather, Charles Ross, as chief trader. Mr. Ross was transferred in 1843 from Fort McLoughlin to take charge of Fort Victoria, and died here in the following year, being succeeded by Mr. Finlayson.

The school conducted in the fort before any school buildings were erected in the colony had a pupil in Mr. J. R. Anderson, who was among the speakers.

Mr. A. B. Watson, grandson of Mr. Kenneth McKenzie, of Craigflower and Lake Hill, and son of Mr. Alex. Watson, colonial treasurer, was present.

The family of Sir Henry and Lady Crease was represented by Miss Crease and Mr. Arthur Crease, two of the children.

Mr. B. H. T. Drake, son of the late Mr. Justice Drake, represented another pioneer legal family.

Other pioneers noticed were Mr. R. T. Williams and Mr. Fullerton.

The Hudson's Bay Company was represented by Mr. A. J. Watson, manager, and Mr. E. H. Wilson, manager of the land department here.

A. J. Watson, manager of the Victoria store, attended the council of the Company's officers at Fort Garry.

R. W. O. Savage has been appointed floor manager of the second floor.

We welcome O. C. Clarke, transferred from Vancouver, who has been given charge of the men's clothing section here.

Owing to expansion of business in the men's department, J. L. Hunter is now devoting all his time to the men's furnishings section.

G. W. Gauld has been promoted from the drapery department to the position of floor manager, main floor.

MONTHLY DANCES

These dances are now held in the beautiful ballroom of the Empress Hotel. The social committee of the Employees' Association, under whose auspices the dances are held, is to be congratulated on the excellent manner in which the arrangements have been carried out. The last two dances were well attended and thoroughly enjoyed.

SPORT

Football—We have started on our seventh season in this fine game and are looking forward to a splendid time. We have the same team that has been playing with us for the last five years. Congratulations are extended to our star goalkeeper and captain, Percy Shrimpton, who was picked on the all-star team and played a fine game.

Basketball—We have a fine team. They turn out regularly for practices. We miss our star centre, Brad Watson, with his twelve-foot jump. But under Bob Addie we think we will try to duplicate last year's record.

Carpet Bowling—This new game has started in the capable hands of Mr. Nichols. We have entered two teams and the members are very enthusiastic. We have "B" team under Mr. O'Neil, and "A" team under Mr. Hibberd. Strange to say, "B" team is unbeaten, while "A" team has been beaten in two games. The association has bought bowls, carpets, and has rented Hampton Hall for the winter. The carpets have been kept very busy. The ladies are forming a store league, and we are looking forward to some hard games. Both "A" and "B" teams have entered the Victoria and District Carpet Bowling League.

Swimming—In Victoria we swim all the year round, and meet every Tuesday night in the Crystal Gardens pool. Some day in the near future we may be able to run a gala.—*A. S. Woollard.*

"Goodwill is the disposition of the pleased customer to return to the place where he has been well treated."

BASTION - 1853
HUDSON'S BAY CO
FORT NANAIMO
HUDSON'S BAY TOBACCOS

4-Point Tobacco on Vancouver Island

THE BUILDING OF TOYTOWN

Soon they'll be building "Toytown."
Some say, "The same old stuff!
If you'd been here as long as I
You'd say you had enough."
But others see through children's eyes
And have another view.
For though the Christmas tricks are old,
The boys and girls are new.

It's worth a little extra work; it's worth some busy weeks
To see the children's sparkling eyes and pleasure-glowing cheeks,
To hear their merry chatter as they hasten through the store
To find and speak with Santa way up on the third floor.

And Santa Claus has strenuous times.
He tells behind the scenes,
When he comes to get his eyebrows fixed,
The strenuous work it means
To give a word to each wee tot who visits his igloo.
But though he may be growing old,
To the tinies he's quite new.

"If I didn't love the kiddies, why, this part I could not play,"
Says Santa in the corridor as he packs his beard away.
And the architects of "Toytown" have the Christmas spirit too;
"It will make the kiddies happy," runs the theme in all they do.

So we like the store at Christmas time,
When with everything that's bought
We know there is no selfishness, but generous kindly thought.
When gentlemen buy dollies' prams, and ladies trains with rails,
And little boys buy thimbles for their mothers at our sales.

It's worth a little trouble and it's worth a little strain
To have the Christmas spirit shine within the store again.
Although it means the same old round and many tasks to do,
The Christmas season holds for us a message ever new.—*D. Nesbitt.*

Kamloops

We welcome E. Madison to the ready-to-wear department, taking the place of L. Reeves, who has left the Company's service.

We congratulate H. Whale on the fine display of **H B C** "Point" blankets and the decoration of the stall, which took third prize, at the Kamloops fall fair.

Our Harvest Sale has been a success in every way. It has more than realized our expectations.

A miscellaneous shower was held by members of the staff in honour of A. Pattinson, who is being married on the 14th of this month. Miss Pattinson was a member of the staff for four years before being compelled to resign last May owing to ill health.

H. R. P. Gant, of the Vancouver branch, recently paid us a visit of inspection.

We extend a hearty welcome to W. G. Ford, who came to us from Vancouver, and who has a wide experience in the staples and piece goods.

We also welcome M. Hayward and M. Dempster, who have joined the ready-to-wear and notions departments respectively.

The management and all members of the staff at the Kamloops branch extend hearty greetings for Christmas and the New Year to all **H B C** employees in all branches of the service.—*J. K. Hill.*

Vernon

YOUR 1929 SUMMER VACATION—WHY NOT VERNON?

Every day this district is becoming more and more popular as a tourist centre for those who are lovers of magnificent scenery, with all kinds of summer and winter sports. This beautiful city of ours stands at the north end of the Okanagan Lake in the Sunny Okanagan, as the valley is so often called from its beautiful climate. At the time of writing all the hotels and tourist parks are filled with tourists from all parts of the continent, who spend their time in fishing, boating, hiking and climbing the flower-bedecked hills that surround us. The city itself occupies a location at the foot of a long low hill, the slopes of which are terraced with avenues of maple and elm trees, dotted here and there with residences surrounded by shade trees, gardens and orchards and enjoying a view of the beautiful blue waters of the north end of the Okanagan Lake, and the hills behind piled in majestic ranges.

The climate of this district is considered the healthiest in the West, with long dry summers, short bracing winters, good motor roads, attractive scenery, splendid bathing and boating, good fishing, good hunting, excellent schools, reasonable rents and taxes and a good class of residents, all of which appeal to the wealthy business man who wants to retire or have a vacation away from noise and rush of city life and yet be near enough to take an occasional trip to the big cities when he feels like it.

Vernon is noted all over the world for its apples. Fruit from this district has carried off premier honours at all the leading fairs and exhibitions in Canada and other countries. Some of the finest apple orchards in the world are situated in the Coldstream district adjoining Vernon, and during the fall the countryside teems with pickers from all parts of the province, here to gather in the apple crop which is distributed all over the British Empire.

When planning your vacation for next year, we suggest that you come to Vernon and enjoy the wonders of this beautiful valley. The manager of the Vernon store, or the writer, will be pleased to give any information regarding boarding facilities, rates, *et cetera*, and will do all in their power to make your stay a pleasant and memorable one.

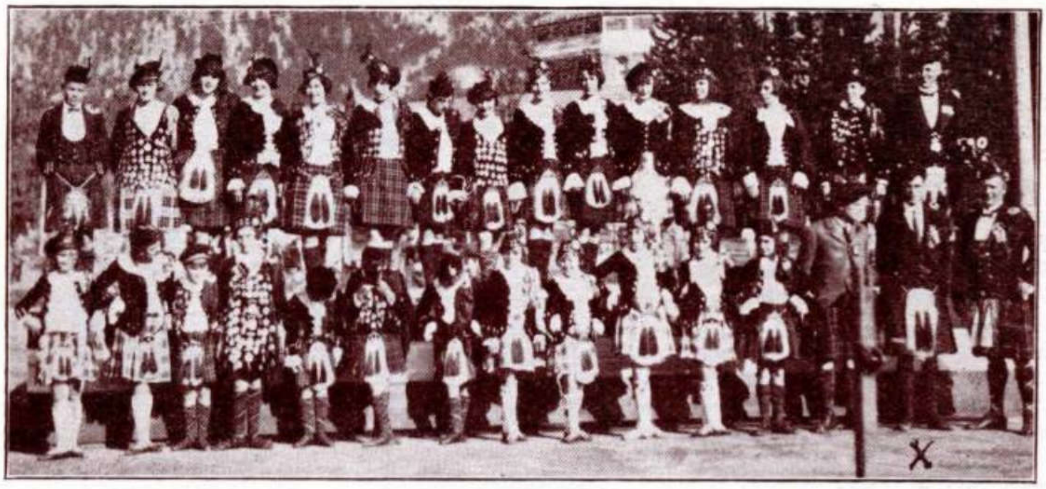
HARVEST SALE

For a number of years our November sale has been run under the heading of Departmental Managers' Sale. This year, however, it was decided to change it to "Harvest Sale," a much more appropriate name. At the time of sending this to press, each sale day has been a record one and we are confident of it being the greatest November sale in the history of the Vernon store.

PHYLLIS RIPLEY

Phyllis Ripley, a member of the Vancouver store staff and for six years a valued member of the Vernon store, visited her home during September. While in Vernon, she delighted several audiences with her beautiful voice, the outstanding event being the recital she gave at the Empress theatre Wednesday, 19th September. The Vernon *News*' criticism of Miss Ripley's singing reads as follows: "This young lady, a former Vernon girl, is the possessor of a delightful soprano voice. Her groups of songs were well chosen, ranging from the simple to the most difficult. Her tones were round and full and her high notes beautifully clear and distinct."

Her many friends are watching her progress eagerly and wish her all success in her musical career.



Banff Highland Games, at which Jas. A. Henderson, of Vernon Store, was judge of dancing and piping

J. A. Henderson, our grocery buyer, and a popular member of the Scottish fraternity of this district, last month acted as one of the judges in the Highland dancing and piping competitions at the Highland games at Banff, Alberta. Mr. Henderson, who is a high authority on Scottish dancing and piping, has recently been in great demand by other provincial gatherings. In the early spring he acted as judge at the Trail and Kamloops Highland games.

L. Livingstone, buyer of our ladies' ready-to-wear department, left last week on her annual fall buying trip to the coast. Miss Livingstone will visit the Vancouver store and make a round of the wholesale houses so that the ladies of this district will have an opportunity of getting the very latest fashions from their local store.

We were all very pleased recently to have the opportunity of meeting Mr. Robert Watson, our editor-in-chief, who stopped off at Vernon, for a few days on his way back from the coast and Fort St. James. For many years Mr. Watson was accountant at this branch and made a host of friends, who were all very pleased to see him again and to have a chat over old times. We hope when next he comes this way he will be able to spend a longer time with us.

H. Pout, store manager at this branch, left on 3rd October on his annual Christmas buying trip to the coast. During his stay in Vancouver he visited both the retail and wholesale branches of the Company, also all the leading wholesale houses and salerooms, in order to bring before the Vernon public the very latest in Christmas and general merchandise.

We welcome S. G. Pierce, who has been added to our grocery staff, also E. McNeill, who is the assistant in the men's and boy's furnishings department. Violet Pout, who until recently was in this department, has been transferred to the display department, and will in future have charge of the interior decorating of show cases, windows, *et cetera*.

We all regret to lose Jean Wager, who for the past two years was an assistant in the ladies' ready-to-wear department. Jean left us last month to reside in Portland, Oregon. She was at one time a member of the staff of the Company's branch at Saskatoon.

Mrs. P. L. Topham, wife of our shoe buyer, is spending a few months' holiday in the Old Country. Mrs. Topham is accompanied by her daughter Evelyn.

The manager and staff at Vernon unanimously extend to all Hudson's Bay Company fellow workers throughout the service a genuine Happy Christmas, and health, happiness and prosperity throughout 1929.—*C. C. Packman.*

Nelson

The Harvest Sale just concluded was a great success. A good increase in business was shown during the sale.

A new member of our staff is Miss Floyd, of Exeter, England. Miss Floyd is practically a newcomer to Canada, and the western mountains seem to be a great attraction to her.

G. A. Bladworth and Pete Melneczuk, while on vacation, took a hike through the mountains to Sandon.

W. Gow, of the dry goods department, had a most interesting Armistice window.

J. Hamlet is again confined to his home through illness, and J. Harrison is taking his place while away.—*D. Green.*

Calgary

The bumper Harvest Sale for 1928 was the most successful experienced at this store, commencing on 22nd October and continuing until 10th November.

We are pleased to state that Alberta will experience a wonderful crop yield this year, and if the present Indian summer continues, every bushel of grain in the province will be threshed this fall.

New oil wells are coming into production in the Turner Valley oil fields, Alberta, all of which will tend to add to the greater prosperity of this already prosperous province.

We have had visits on two different occasions from Mr. P. J. Parker, our zone manager, who spent some little time with us.

We were honoured with visits from our Governor, Mr. Charles V. Sale, Mr. George Allen, Chairman of the Canadian Committee, Mr. A. K. Graham, Mr. P. A. Chester, Mr. A. H. Doe and party.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Johnston joined the Governor's party at Calgary and were present at the unveiling of the tablet at Simpson Pass in memory of Sir George Simpson, Governor of Rupert's Land.

We have recently been favoured with a visit from Mr. C. S. Riley, member of the Canadian Committee.

The following departmental managers visited eastern markets during the fall season: Miss Fraser, children's wear; Miss Elston, art needlework; Miss Patton, hosiery and gloves; Mrs. McKay, lingerie; R. J. McDonald, millinery; J. M. Brower, men's furnishings; J. Bodel, hardware; C. A. Plows, furniture and house furnishings.

We are now quite busy putting the finishing touches on the Hudson's Bay Company's Christmas play, which is showing at the Grand Theatre on Saturday, November the 24th.—*L. H. Benjamin.*

THE INSTALMENT IDEA STARTS YOUNG

Freddy to Teddy—If you could save $1.00 a week for two months, what would you then have?

Teddy—A bicycle, a radio, a gramophone and a car.

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He who is silent is forgotten; he who abstains is taken at his word; he who does not advance falls back; he who stops is overwhelmed, distanced, crushed; he who ceases to grow greater becomes smaller; he who leaves off, gives up; the stationary condition is the beginning of the end. —*Amiel.*

The old wish—A Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year—but a very genuine one. Happiness probably produces prosperity just as much as prosperity produces happiness, and it has been and always will be my endeavour to plan and arrange as far as is possible for happy conditions of work and for happy relations between all of us who serve the Great Company.

W. H. COOKE.

Edmonton

The staff of the Edmonton store extend to all in Hudson's Bay Company service best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Greatly increased business marked the Harvest Sale which commenced Friday, 26th October. The closing day, Saturday, 17th November, was Rummage Day, a feature which has proved eminently successful in Edmonton.

A radio concert by members of the staff was one of the advertising features used for the opening of the Harvest Sale. The Edmonton store is particularly fortunate in having a good number of high-class radio artists in its employ.

H. A. Holland, cashier, was one of the big winners in the Edmonton horticultural show, winning the challenge cup, the silver trophy and the Ontario Rose Society medal for the best rose in the exhibition. Mr. Holland specializes in roses, and, by the way, he is also the possessor of a fifteen-year service medal.

F. W. Sutherland, who during the past three years was manager of the silk and staple departments, has been promoted to the position of manager of silk department in the Winnipeg store. On the eve of his departure he was the recipient of a beautiful floor lamp. We wish him every success in his new position.

We welcome V. Conley, general assistant to J. J. O'Brien in ready-to-wear, millinery, children's corsets, underwear and fur departments. Miss Conley was formerly with the Winnipeg and Saskatoon stores.

The following new members have recently joined the staff: J. Chestnut, R. Smith, C. Jackson, C. Gibbons, G. Mumford, E. Griffin, L. Howes, E. Holt and W. Parkhill, A. Collins, R. Berube.

B. McCaskell has joined the staff as assistant to C. Hollington, credit manager.

SPORT

Bowling—The new Recreation Bowling Academy is responsible for the epidemic of bowling. The girls of the store have organized nine teams and are active with inter-store and city competitions. The men, too, have organized teams and there have been many interesting matches.

Basketball—The girls' basketball team has been organized and a team entered in the city league. The personnel is as follows: Bessie Semple, Milly Rankin, Irene Vancamp, Isabelle Neran, Anna McCoy, Ada Hutton, Eleanor Davidson. E. Sillers makes an efficient coach.

Dorothy Markell, of the office staff, was married on 20th October to R. Gale, formerly of the wholesale staff. At a miscellaneous shower, given in her honour by Helen Dominy, she received many attractive gifts, as well as a very handsome silver casserole from friends in the store.

The new optical department will be opened on fourth floor on 23rd November.

The dining-room and cafeteria have been enlarged to accommodate increased business.

Congratulations are extended to H. Colby, of the hardware department, who was married on 1st November.

We are glad to see E. McCaig, of the office staff, back after two weeks' illness.

Mrs. F. B. Gray, wife of the shoe department manager, is recovering from a serious operation.

Congratulations are extended to C. Wiggin, of the shoe department, who recently ventured on the sea of matrimony.

We are glad to have R. Ritson back after an illness of several months.

E. Bowen and Mrs. E. McFarlane have returned after an enjoyable trip to England.—*J. P. Mc Nicholl.*

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Some men are known by their Deeds, others by their Mortgages.

Saskatoon

Congratulations to C. E. James and G. Hunter, each having received new daughters in his family circle.

The following are all among the newlyweds: Miss Madill, (cashier's office); Miss White (mail order department); Miss Douglas (general office); P. Devine (shoe department); Miss A. Pool (general office); R. Johnson (credit department); Miss Buffey (manager's office).

Welcome to Miss Gunther and Messrs. Duncan, Fulton, Mawson and Anderson.

We also welcome back Miss K. Cowell, who has returned from a visit to Europe.

The first Hudson's Bay Company dance of the season was held on October 18, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the record crowd present. Great credit is due to the committee in charge.

Congratulations to Mr. Wakeford, who made a hole-in-one on the local golf course this summer. We are now hoping for a new bowling record.

The manager and staff of the Saskatoon store extend their best wishes for a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year to everyone in every branch of the Hudson's Bay Company service.—*L. Jones.*

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Winnipeg Retail

PAINTED FABRICS DISPLAY BY MAIMED SOLDIERS

During the week of 29th October, an interesting exhibit and sale of work by British sailors and soldiers was held on the fourth floor. Space was donated by the Company, also advertising and display help given. Owing to the absence of His Honour Lieutenant-Governor Theodore E. Burrows through sickness, Sir James Aikins, supported by many distinguished citizens, opened the exhibit. Those on the platform included, our Governor Mr. C. V. Sale, Mayor Dan McLean, Major-General Elmsley, Archbishop Matheson, Archdeacon McElheran, Lieutenant-Colonel Godson-Godson and Mr. W. H. Cooke.

Captain Spragg, who is in charge of the exhibit and sale in Canada, explained in moving words the object of the work, its origin from a very humble beginning to its present importance. In 1917 two ladies of Sheffield began the teaching of designing and painting on fabrics to those badly maimed in the war. Since then they have devoted their entire time to the work without remuneration, until to-day there is a model village at Woodseats, Sheffield, with fine workshops, recreation room, playground for the children and gardens, and forty-seven men—who can muster only fifty-six undamaged arms and fifty whole legs—are now producing the beautiful things known as painted fabrics.

The work has been given wide support in Britain, is sponsored by Her Royal Highness Princess Mary, and supported by many members of the aristocracy.

The public showed much interest in the exhibit all the week and the displays were really works of art, including beautiful shawls, negligees, lingerie, drapery fabrics, gowns and leather work.—*H. W. Anderson.*

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Mrs. E. Patterson has been placed in charge of the school of instruction, succeeding R. J. Cooke, who is now buyer for the chinawares.

Mrs. Patterson has instituted a departmental competition, which is proving very interesting. After suitable instruction, employees are asked to write an examination on their department and prizes are given for the best papers submitted.

Great success attended the initial contest in the grocery, many excellent papers being written. The following prizes were presented by W. H. Cooke, general manager, at a little ceremony arranged by J. Whalley, grocery manager.

Winners of $5.00 prizes—M. A. Neely, E. Kozier, Camille Ste. Marie, Phillip Purpur.

Winners of $2.00 prizes—Winnie Hinton, Anne Goldstein, E. Strawbridge, E. Scholberg, K. Sorrie, Queenie Woods, G. Routley, Mrs. Jackman, T. Wiggins, S. Kilgour.

This competition is being carried throughout all departments and is bound to result in increasing the knowledge of salespeople and in giving them further interest in their work.

TALK ON MODERN ART

Mrs. McAlpine, of the advertising staff, addressed the regular meeting of department managers on October 2nd on the above subject, and later gave the same talk to the assistants.

She stressed the fact that a new era had begun in the realm of home decoration and apparel designing, and that the wide-awake buyer must recognize this trend and be ready with authentic merchandise.

In interesting language, Mrs. McAlpine sketched the history of the movement from its inception in Paris in 1925, Mrs. McAlpine being one of those present at the original exhibit. Certain pieces of merchandise were chosen from the store's stocks, showing how modernism was entering into the design and decoration of a vast number of objects, such as jewellery, furniture, fabrics, stationery, chinaware, draperies and ready-to-wear garments of all descriptions.

She strongly urged every buyer to study the question with an open mind and be on the alert when on purchasing trips to secure representative examples of this merchandise.

Salespeople were advised to read up on the movement, and to study their merchandise with a view to intelligently meeting the growing public interest in modern art.

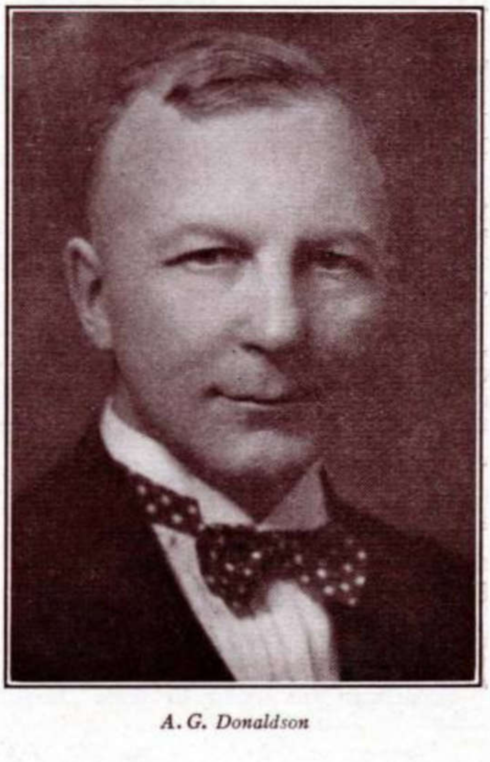
A. G. DONALDSON HONOURED

A signal honour came to Mr. A. G. Donaldson, manager of Winnipeg store's credit department, during the past summer, when he was chosen to represent the Dominion of Canada at the National Retail Credit Association convention at Kansas City.

His address was received with great enthusiasm, and the fact that he came from the oldest mercantile corporation in Canada was of great interest to the delegates.

The credit department of Winnipeg store is deriving much benefit through Mr. Donaldson's exchange of ideas at this national convention.

Incidentally he is an enthusiastic worker in the Winnipeg Credit Exchange and much of its success is due to Mr. Donaldson's untiring efforts.



A. G. Donaldson

HARDWARE DEPARTMENT SOCIAL DANCE

Members of the hardware department are justly proud of the success of their first dance and social evening under the auspices of the "Get-Together Club," which was held on Thursday evening, 11th October, at Royal Templar Hall, about 150 members and friends being present. Considerable credit is due to the efforts extended by members of the committees in charge of the proceedings.

The Get-Together Club numbers nearly sixty members, all of whom belong to the hardware, toys, sporting goods, and electrical departments. Committees have been appointed to look after the several details attendant upon each phase of every entertainment and very enthusiastic support was extended by everyone in connection with the recent dance. All store employees are cordially invited to attend the club dances, and the future success of this—the first department club to be formed in this store.

—*W. M. Oakes.*

HISTORICAL EXHIBIT

The season just passed has been outstanding in the fact that visiting tourists have exceeded all expectations.

During August alone visitors from every one of the forty-eight states of America paid a visit to the exhibit. They have been most kind in their remarks regarding our Historical Exhibit, which has a particular appeal to our neighbours from the south. During the past year, to date of writing, some 25,000 visitors have signed the Historical Exhibit visitors' book.

As the exhibit is in close proximity to the Hudson's Bay dining room, it affords visitors an opportunity to view the exhibit both before and after meals.

Some of the outstanding associations who have visited the Historical Exhibit during the year are as follows:

Members of the U.S.A. Aircraft Association.

Great Northern Railway Delegates.

Sons, Daughters and Maids of England.

Apprentice Clerks, Hudson's Bay Company.

Norwegian Singers.

Manitoba Boys' and Girls' Clubs.

Minnesota and Kenora Rowing Clubs.

British Chamber of Commerce Delegates.

J. Ramsay Macdonald and party.

Red Lake Fall's Band.

British Parliamentary Association.

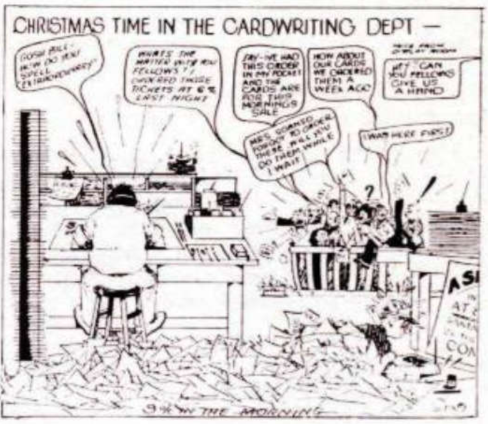
Members of the British School Boys' and Girls' Empire Tour.

Council of Hudson's Bay Officers.

Fellows of the Royal Society of Canada.

Members of the Canadian Historical Association.

—*E. F. Hardiman.*


CHRISTMAS TIME IN THE CARDWRITING DEPT —
GOSH BILL— HOW DO YOU SPELL "EXTRAORDINARY"
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU FELLOWS?? CHECKED THOSE TICKETS AT 6% LAST NIGHT
SAY—WE HAD THIS ORDER IN MY POCKET AND THE CARDS ARE FOR THIS MORNINGS SALE
HOW ABOUT OUR CARDS WE ORDERED THEM A WEEK AGO
HEY CAN YOU FELLOWS GIVE US A HAND
I WAS HERE FIRST
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9½ IN THE MORNING

This card writing cartoon in this issue is the work of Jack Stables, the youngest member of our card writing staff. We are proud of his ability, as he is only fifteen years of age and has never had any art training. Jack is also fast becoming an efficient card writer.

Bert Henry, the popular head of our fish department, is receiving congratulations. He is the proud father of a son, who arrived on 24th November.

Evelyn Louise Hoccon, in an **H B C** costume, was awarded first prize at a recent ice-skating carnival in Winnipeg. She is the daughter of R. Hoccon, of our staples department, one of the oldest in point of service among our Winnipeg employees, his term now approaching thirty years.

We welcome to the credit office staff, E. Scales, B. Brooker, B. Stevenson, M. Lewis and J. Clee, E. Tod, W. A. Scott.

The credit office staff extends sincere sympathy to Ida Fenwick on the death of her brother, who passed away early in September.

The credit office girls held a very enjoyable weiner roast in September. Great credit is given to M. Dunmore for the very successful evening.

We regret losing Norah Smith, who for the past five years has been in the credit office. On the eve of her departure Miss Smith was presented with a tea set.

J. and P. Anderson held a marshmallow and weiner roast the latter part of September. Those invited were Mrs. I. Mitchell, B. Avent, M. Cohen, B. Gould, I. Robertson, S. Thorbergson, J. Anderson and P. Anderson, and H. Gebbie, T. Lennon, F. Gebbie, D. Wright, C. Turner, J. Hartley, J. Bell, L. Cohen, B. Tobias.

Isabella Roberton held a Hallowe'en party on 30th October at her home on Rose street. Those present were: J. Anderson, P. Anderson, B. Avent, B. Gould, S. Thorbergson, L. Black, M. Black, M. Buchanan,

A. Leon, A. Woods, M. Dunlop, and B. Laird, F. Morris, H. Stephenson, C. Turner, G. Roberton, H. Gebbie, F. Gebbie, S. Cooper, A. Winslow, George Overhault.

Her many friends heard with regret about the illness of Mrs. McAlpine, of the advertising staff. She was removed to St. Roch's Hospital on 5th October, suffering from diphtheria. At time of writing she is making a speedy recovery and expects to be back at her desk soon.

Bert Atkins, a valued member of the advertising office, underwent an operation to his throat on 11th November. We are glad to see him back fully recovered after an absence of ten days.

Mr. Rogers, of the fruit department, is wondering if there is an epidemic in his department. No less than three of his salegirls left to be married within a month. They are M. Moir, E. Gordon and R. Wilson.

Albert Lynch, after eleven years' service with the grocery department, left in October to make his home in Calgary. His many friends wish him best of luck.

The grocery staff welcome B. Everetts back after an absence of a month and extend to her deepest sympathy on the death of her mother, whom she was nursing during her last sickness.

The smiling face of Evelyn Douglass has been missed at the bakery counter. She underwent an operation for appendicitis on 24th October. We are glad to report she will soon be at work.—*T. F. Reith.*

Jack McMillan

SPORT

Jack McMillan a Crack Rifle Shot

By consistent shooting in the Manitoba Rifle Association matches, Sergeant Jack McMillan, one of our porters, gained a place on the Manitoba team which competed in the last Dominion rifle meet.

Jack made a great record at the Manitoba meet, only losing the tyro aggregate, the Bankers' trophy and the Kelly cup by one point after a tie shoot.

Despite the fact of being in strange surroundings and after a long tiring train journey, he more than held his own at the Dominion meet against the country's best shots. He was a member of the four-men team of his regiment who won the Borden trophy, the first time it has been won by a western team. He won the Cameron team aggregate and was fourth of the twenty-four shots from Manitoba.

It is interesting to note that Hudson's Bay Company are donors of two cups, which are competed for annually at the Manitoba rifle meet, one of them since 1873. This was won forty-two years ago by Sir Daniel McMillan (no relation to Jack), who was later lieutenant-governor of Manitoba.

FOOTBALL

A wind-up meeting of the football club was held 14th November, at which R. J. Cook, president, presided.

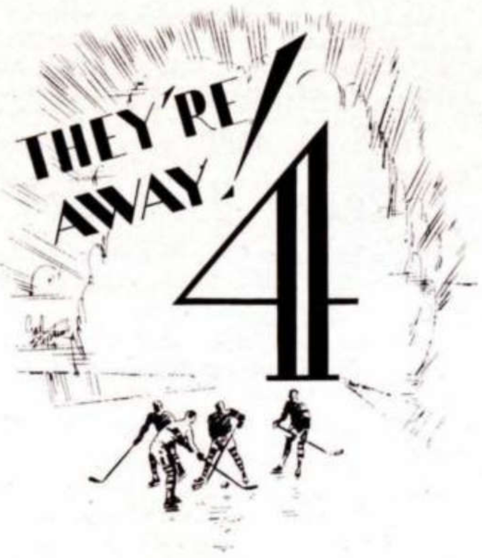
The report of the season's doings and financial statement were read by secretary T. F. Reith, and showed the club to be in a flourishing condition in spite of a series of expensive injuries to players.

From a playing viewpoint, the season's record was not so good as last term, the team finishing third in the league and being beaten in the first round of the Challenge cup.

This match saw two of our players seriously injured. Another handicap was the lack of a permanent ground, the majority of our games being played on opponents' pitches.

A committee was formed, with J. McCarthy as chairman, to arrange for a whist drive and dance soon and other entertainments to foster interest among the football followers during the close season.

We notice Robert Watson, editor of *The Beaver*, himself an old British sprinting athlete, was judging the flat racing events at the Scottish athletic meet at Polo Park this fall, also that his son Hugh won the junior athletic championship of St. John's college school with firsts in the 100, 220 and 440-yards races. It seems to run in the blood.—*T. F. Reith.*



Hudson's Bay Company employees and boosters are in store for another banner winter's sport. Reason? The "Big Four" Hockey League, consisting of the Hudson's Bay Company, the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Canadian National Railways, and the Grain Exchange, will again operate at the Ampitheatre Rink.

For quite some time it seemed doubtful if this circuit would function this winter, but it became definitely assured when our management O.K'd the sponsoring of a team. The Grain Exchange readily took advantage of the berth vacated by the withdrawal of the T. Eaton Company Limited.

The "Big Four" League, which sprang into being last winter and proved by far the most popular hockey league that has operated here since 1920, will open its season during the last week of November. The big night each week will be Thursday, with Monday night as an occasional extra evening of joy for special games.

Our Company has been honoured by W. H. Cooke, our general manager, being elected president of the league. If for no other reason than we know Mr. Cooke to be a true sportsman and for his sanctioning our again being represented in this league, we, the employees, should turn out *en masse* to all contests.

We also have a first class business manager in A. J. Ketchen, who should ably assist Connie Neil, our coach, in developing a team worty of representing Hudson's Bay Company. Neil had experience with the great Winnipeg Falcons, who captured the world's championship at Antwerp in 1920.

We have the nucleus of a strong aggregation in the fact that of our team of 1927-28 we have Bill Pridham, Dave Patrick, Buster McDougall, Frank Morris, and Gordon McLean.

Foremost of the newcomers added to our playing roster is Jack St. John, right winger, who helped Manitoba Varsity win the Allan Cup last winter. His brother Eddie is also with the club. Both of them hail from Portage la Prairie.

Other newcomers who will wear our colours are: "Dibs" Woods, of Carman, a forward; Bun Stephenson, late of the Eaton brigade, a clever stick handler and forward; Wagner, rated the best net guardian in the junior league last season while a member of the Columbus Club squad.

The players need our organization and we, the organization, need our players. Let us all unite in an effort to help the Hudson's Bay Company have a team on the ice that will be a credit to the name.—*F. Morris.*

H B C BOWLERS

Under the guidance of G. Bowdler (president), D. McLaren (treasurer), G. Carson (secretary), the house league is away to a most successful season. At November 15th these are the standings and records.

	Won	Lost
Men's Furnishings	18	9
Main Floor	16	11
Managers	15	12
Drivers	14	13
Clothing	13	14
Shoes	13	14
Traffic	12	15
Staples	7	20

Furnishings team holds all the records for team scores.

The managers' team, captained by R. A. Cunningham, is the noisiest team on the alleys. Their policy is, "if we can't spill the maples, let's talk the other team out of it." Fortune has been favouring them so far.

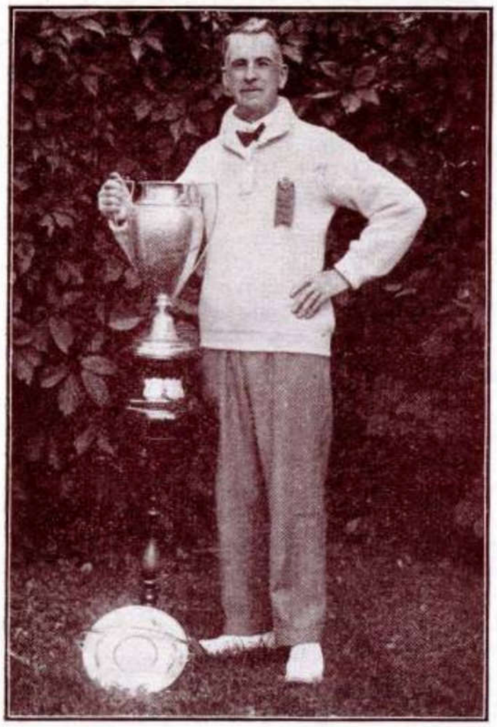
The drivers, who were reputed to be a heavy hitting team, are looking for reinforcements.

A tight race for premier honours in the averages is being fought between G. Bowdler (leading), 182.24; G. Carson, 182.3; R. Burns, 181.23; H. Hamilton, 180.

A Thanksgiving turkey shoot was held Friday, November 9th, winners of turkeys being D. McLaren, D. Giles, C. Harden, V. Morrison, C. Turner, P. Wales.

The **H B C** team in the Merchants' Bowling League is setting the pace with a lead of three games over their nearest rivals. They have won nineteen and lost five, being top team in a league of twelve mercantile clubs. The personnel of the team is: A. Dick (captain), D. McLaren, L. Webb, A. McVety, A. McPherson, G. Bowdler, G. Carson. Every man is doing his bit. D. McLaren made a hero of himself by shooting a total three-game score of 645 on 2nd November, earning a big notice in the local sport's pages.—*G. Carson.*

Winnipeg Wholesale



E. H. Hughes, manager of Winnipeg wholesale tea and coffee department, has been a member of the Assiniboine Lawn Bowling Club since 1915, and during that period has been very successful, winning seventy-eight prizes, including some very valuable ones. During the season just closed he annexed the Columbus cup and prize, open to bowlers from any province in the Dominion. He was also in the prize list at the Brandon tournament, and reached the final round in the Fort Rouge tournament.

GOLF

The Wholesale building tournament came to a close when J. Poitras defeated W. Edmonds. The first game between these two doughty warriors resulted in a tie, but the replay ended in Mr. Poitras winning by a very small margin.

BOWLING

The girls of the wholesale department have entered a team in the Junior Lady Caterers' Bowling League. Those on the team are: J. Thompson, S. Purves, C. Breckman, S. Goodman and N. Scott. Although most of the girls had bowled very few games before this season they now hold third place in the league, with the leading team only two games ahead. The girls have taken a great deal of interest in the games and are hopeful of at least making a showing in the finals.

Our sincere sympathies are extended to A. H. Brotheridge, who very recently lost his daughter Vera. Vera was only ten years of age and died after a brief illness.

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Calgary Wholesale

We welcome to our office as assistant accountant, T. W. Stride, formerly of Regina.

We were recently favoured with a visit from C. W. Veysey, general manager of wholesale branches.

E. T. Marshall, our manager, recently spent a few days in Winnipeg on business.

Our Wholesale baseball team did not meet with very great success during the summer months. It is anticipated however that the boys will prove better bowlers than baseballers. Harry Wright and his colleagues seem to be getting pretty well in form for a bowling competition against the picked team of the retail store.

We welcome to our staff J. W. Porteous, as salesman, formerly connected with the Sunland Sales Company, Vancouver.

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Regina Wholesale

With the pleasant balmy weather which we have been enjoying here recently, one hardly realizes the proximity of the approaching Christmas season. However, we wish to extend to all members of our various branches a very hearty greeting from the manager and staff of Regina branch.

Governor Sale, accompanied by Mr. Chester, stayed a few days in Regina recently on their return from the Pacific Coast. Mr. Veysey was also a recent visitor at our branch.

We welcome J. H. Taylor, our new assistant accountant, succeeding T. W. Stride, who has recently been transferred to Calgary wholesale branch. Before leaving us Mr. Stride was presented with a small case containing gold coin of the realm, which it was suggested he might put to good use at a future date in selecting a small wedding gift from his former associates.

Mr. Wilmott, our general city shipper, has once more launched out on the road, this time on country territory. This change was occasioned by the somewhat sudden resignation of Orval Anderson, one of our country travellers.

We welcome L. Cook and A. Ferguson, both new members of our warehouse staff.

Edmonton Wholesale

Edmonton Wholesale Department takes this opportunity of wishing all in any way connected with the Hudson's Bay Company, a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.—*D. M. McCurdy.*

Montreal Wholesale

The Montreal wholesale department extends to all members of staff and executives in all branches of the Company's many and diversified activities, heartiest wishes for a real Happy Christmas and the hope that the forthcoming year will constitute a new record of achievement.

Land Department

In the closing days of a year rich in progress and outstanding achievement in Canada as well as in the service of Hudson's Bay Company, I have much pleasure in sending sincere greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all in any way associated with the Company's interests and undertakings.

The outlook for the Company in connection with its various activities has probably never been better, and this in a very large measure is due to foresight, faith and fulfilment of well laid plans in which each one no doubt played a helpful part in the respective spheres allotted to them. In retrospect, these achievements I am sure will help to make us even a little happier at this season of the year.

I take this opportunity to thank the entire Land Department staff in Canada for their loyalty and cheerful assistance during the year now closing.

H. F. HARMAN.

H.B.C.O.S. Limited

E. H. Gamble, Canadian manager, sailed for England per S.S. *Athenia* on November 2 on a visit to the London office of the Company.

The past season has been a very busy one and plans are now being formulated which we hope will even double, during the coming season, the considerable number of British newcomers which were added to our Canadian population in the past year.

The majority of those newcomers who have come to Canada under the auspices of this Company are doing well.

Readers of *The Beaver* may always be assured of advice and assistance from this office and our London office in connection with any question involved in the coming forward of individuals or families interested in farm employment or in the reunion of families engaged in other occupations. —*L. C. Heckscher.*

The Red River Voyageur

Out and in the river is winding
  The links of its long, red chain
Through belts of dusky pine land
  And gusty leagues of plain.

Only at times, a smoke wreath
  With the drifting cloud-rack joins—
The smoke of the hunting lodges
  Of the wild Assiniboines.

Drearily blows the north wind
  From the land of ice and snow;
The eyes that look are weary,
  And heavy the hands that row.

And with one foot on the water,
  And one upon the shore,
The Angel of Shadow gives warning
  That day shall be no more.

Is it the clang of wild geese,
  Is it the Indian's yell,
That lends to the voice of the north wind
  The tones of a far-off bell?

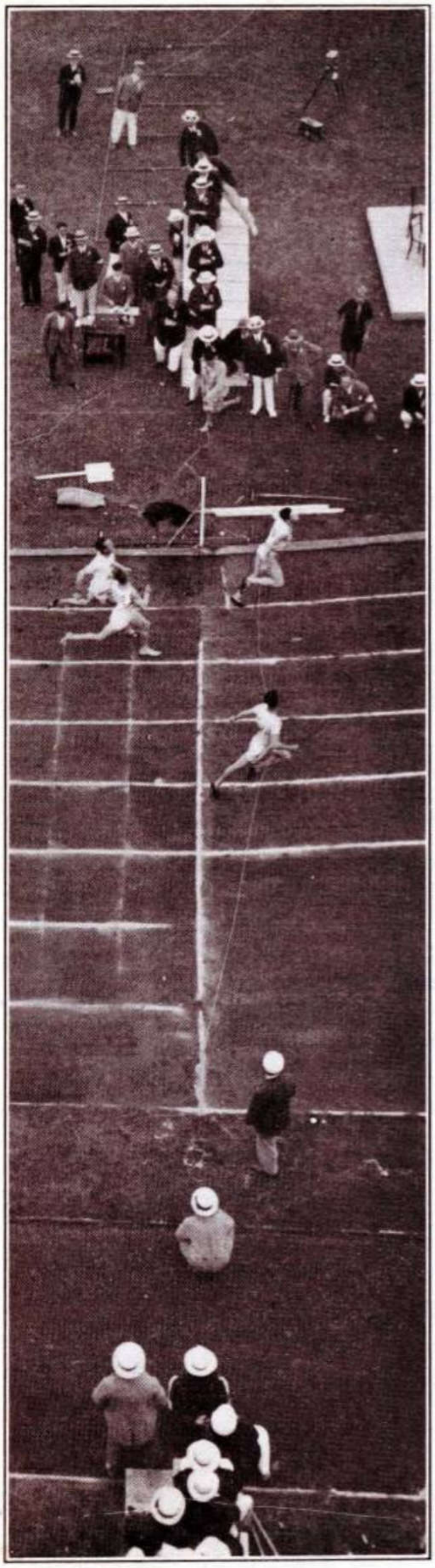
The voyageur smiles as he listens
  To the sound that grows apace;
Well he knows the vesper ringing
  Of the bells of St. Boniface.

The bells of the Roman mission
  That call from their turrets twain
To the boatman on the river,
  To the hunter on the plain.

Even so in our mortal journey
  The bitter north winds blow,
And thus upon life's Red River
  Our hearts, as oarsmen, row.

And when the Angel of Shadow
  Rests his feet on wave and shore,
And our eyes grow dim with watching,
  And our hearts faint at the oar,

Happy is he who heareth
  The signal of his release
In the bells of the Holy City,
  The chimes of eternal peace.—*Whittier.*



Winnipeg General

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY TENNIS CLUB

The tennis club has just completed the most successful season in its history. The membership consisted of eighty-six men and one hundred and ten ladies, and the courts were well patronized at all times. The big event of the season was the mixed doubles tournament for the cup so kindly offered for competition by the Governor, Mr. Charles V. Sale. Fifty-one couples entered this tournament, which resulted in a win for Miss Mitchell (restaurant) and R. Penwarden (sporting goods), the runners-up being Miss Kozier (groceries) and D. Gilles (tobacco). Two of our members—H. Hamilton and G. Bowdler—are to be congratulated on winning the men's doubles handicap tournament open to the whole of Winnipeg. Our team in the Intermediate league did very well in its section by finishing second.

Two flannel dances were held during the season at the Canoe Club, which proved most enjoyable. The close-of-the-season dance at Roseland Gardens was held jointly with the reception organized by the drug department to one of their staff, Jimmy Ball, who represented Canada at the Olympic games and distinguished himself by obtaining second place in the 400-metres race.

Our Governor, Mr. C. V. Sale, with Mr. A. K. Graham and Mr. George W. Allan, K.C., attended this social event and presented the prizes to the winning members in the tournaments.

On behalf of the members of the drug department, Governor Sale, presented Jimmy Ball with a signet ring, together with his own personal gift of a leather suitcase.

The Governor's Address

Mr. Cooke, Ladies and Gentlemen: Thank you very much for your hearty welcome. It gives me great pleasure to be present to-night, and to join with you in congratulating Mr. Ball on his return from Amsterdam, where, as you know, he ran a close second in the 400-metre race at the Olympic games. Mr. Ball's success did much to encourage the enthusiasm of all those who delight in these feats of endurance, whether in the Empire, in Great Britain, or in Canada, and I am sure the people of Winnipeg must be proud of the record made by their representative in the contest with so many international

The photograph on this page shows the finish of the final of the 400-metres race at the Olympic games, with Jimmy Ball racing on the outside.

athletes of great fame. And, if Winnipeg be proud, how much more so his friends on the staff of our ancient Company.

Mr. Ball, it is with pleasure that I hand to you, on behalf of Mr. Ketchin and the staff of the drug department, this signet ring, in the hope that it will be a happy reminder of a notable event, and a token of the goodwill and good wishes of those with whom you are closely associated day by day. I should like to express my own wishes for your happiness and welfare, and I trust this handbag will prove useful in bringing back the laurels from your next competition.

It is also my pleasant duty to-night to tender, on behalf of the **H B C** Tennis Club, congratulations to the winners of the mixed doubles.

I must confess that, unlike your president and vice-presidents, Mr. George Allan, Mr. Graham, Mr. French and Mr. Cooke, I cannot lay claim to any knowledge of games; but, despite this ignorance, I am much interested in the growing movement in the **H B C** towards co-operation in this and other forms of recreation. I hope the example given by the **H B C** Tennis Club, the enthusiasm of its members, and particularly of Mr. N. B. Francis, your president, and Mr. R. J. Cooke, your secretary, will be emulated by other clubs within the service.

If I were an expert, I should have something to say to you regarding the achievement of Miss Mitchell and Mr. Penwarden. As it is, I can only marvel at their skill in winning against fifty other entries in the contest, and I welcome the opportunity of presenting the prizes, given by the club, and of entrusting to them the cup, which I understand is to be held in trust until next season, when I hope they may win it again.

Mrs. A. H. Doe and the Misses Marjorie and Eileen Doe arrived in Winnipeg in August last, accompanying Mr. Doe on his return from England. They have taken up residence at 90 Furby Street, telephone No. 31 529. We hope their stay in Canada will prove a pleasant and health-giving one.

Fur Trade

Christmas—that time of peace on earth and goodwill to all mankind—is again in the offing.

We are confident that 1929 will bring to the whole service progress and prosperity. With faith, optimism and confidence, nothing can prevent it.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all is my earnest wish.

C. H. FRENCH.

CHIEF FACTOR ANGUS BRABANT
Late Fur Trade Commissioner

The news of the sudden passing at Vancouver on 8th November of Chief Factor Angus Brabant, late Fur Trade Commissioner, came as a great shock to his many friends in the service, who expected that he would be long spared to enjoy his well-earned retirement which took place less than two years ago, 13th January, 1927.

Mr. Brabant had a long and honourable career with the Company, and he splendidly upheld the high tradition of the gentlemen who have preceded him as Fur Trade Commissioners, the highest position in the Fur Trade service that is within the power of the Governor and Committee in London to bestow.

He was born at Clayton, N.Y., on 31st May, 1866, and served forty-one years with the Hudson's Bay Company. The following is his record of service:

Apprentice clerk at Manitoba House	1886
Post manager at Manitoba House	1890
Post manager at Cumberland House	1896
Post manager at Fort Smith	1902
Inspector, Athabasca district	1905
District manager, Mackenzie River	1908
Fur Trade Commissioner	1920
Received Chief Factors' Commission, 15th January	1927

Gold medal and two bars for honourable and long service.

For further record of service see *The Beaver*, vol. 1, No. 2, page 2, of November, 1920, and Outfit 257, No. 4, pages 58 and 92, March, 1927.

Mr. Brabant's reputation as a fur trader was an eviable one, for while he was keen and aggressive in business he always retained the respect and friendship of those with whom he came in contact, and he has left behind him a record in the North that any fur trader might well be proud of.

It has been said on more than one occasion by men of the North that he was the greatest buyer of furs in recent times to go into that country north of Edmonton. Mr. Brabant could speak French, Cree, Ojibway and Chipewayan. He was last in company with his old fur trade friends when he was a guest of our Governor at the Sir George Simpson Centennial Celebration at Fort St. James on the 17th September, 1928. Few who met him then thought how soon he would be called.

Mr. Brabant leaves a widow (Josephine Deschambeau) and four sons and two daughters. Two sons are in the Hudson's Bay Company fur trade service and one daughter is married to Mr. J. G. Woolison, of the Company's Fur Trade Department.

The sincere sympathy of the members of the staffs in all departments of the service is extended to those who have been bereaved by the passing of Angus Brabant.

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Fort Churchill

MEMORIAL TABLET TO EARLY EXPLORERS

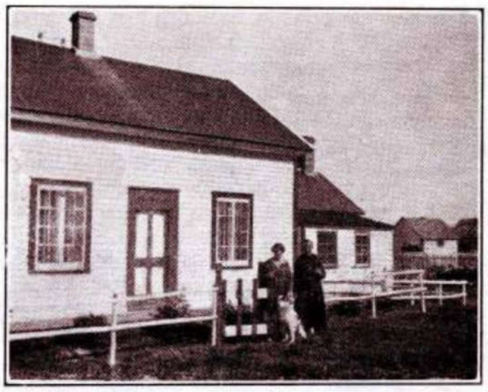
A memorial service was held August 25 in St. Paul's Anglican mission, Fort Churchill, Manitoba, on Hudson's Bay, when a tablet erected to the memory of Captain Munk and Pastor Rasmus A. A. Rhus, and their brave companions, was dedicated by the Bishop of Keewatin, Rev. Dr. Dewdney, C. Harding, district manager of the Hudson's Bay Company, unveiling it. Rev. A. H. Gibson, missionary at Churchill, assisted in the service.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police and representatives of the Department of Railways and Canals were also present.

The bishop, in his address, told the story of the expedition sent out by King Christian IV of Denmark in May, 1619, under Cap. Jens Munk, with Pastor A. A. Rhus as chaplain, in two ships, with sixty-six men, to discover the northwestern passage to East India. The ship wintered at Churchill, and all but the captain and two others died of scurvy. The chaplain was the first Christian minister to hold service and administer holy communion at Churchill.

The tablet was provided by the Danish people of New York of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church. A memorial to their fellow countrymen on the special service was a cut of the tablet on which appears a facsimile of a drawing by Munk of the winter haven with its ships and people getting in firewood.

With the commemoration of the Danish expedition was associated the building of the first Fort Prince of Wales, 240 years ago, and the erection of the stone fort (still standing) begun 195 years ago.



Residence at Romaine Post

Dog Race at Romaine Post

Just to liven things up a bit, we decided to arrange a dog race among the teams here.

The young fellows were all keen, so we arranged to have the race run on the first holiday.

The teams, each made up of five dogs, lined up across the bay at 10 a.m. It was decided that whenever the flag reached the top of the flagstaff, they were to start. The dogs were keen, and amid shouts of encouragement from the spectators, they were off. There were eight teams, including that of the Company, driven by a man who has travelled with the post managers of the post for twenty years. The teams were out of sight in eleven minutes, and had to go to a certain spot five miles from the post, where they handed in little cards with their names to one waiting there.

About fifty minutes later, my husband came into the house with the news that two teams were coming across the bay. It was exciting to watch them come along, and a more thrilling finish to a race I have never seen. As they drew nearer I recognised our lead dog, and became so excited that I almost forgot the rules, and started to cry out to encourage our dogs.

The two teams came along side by side, and it looked as if they were to cross the line together. However, our lead dog proved to be the better and, listening to his driver, crossed the line ahead by about one yard. The roads were not good for travelling, but the two teams took exactly one hour to cover the distance of ten miles.

Needless to say, my husband was pleased at the success of his team, especially there being in the race two of the puppies he had broken in himself this winter.—*Mrs. Angus Milne.*

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When a firm, decisive spirit is recognized it is curious to see how the space clears around a man and leaves him room and freedom.—*John Foster.*

Keewatin District

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Clark, and little son Alan, visited Scotland this summer, where they spent a pleasant vacation, returning to Norway House in September.

Robert Walker, of God's Lake, was in charge of Norway House post during the summer months, and spent a week in Winnipeg in August.

W. L. Uprichard, one of this year's contingent of apprentices, is stationed at Norway House.

A. D. Hutcheon, assistant at Nelson House post, was transferred to Split Lake in July.

G. Robertson, new apprentice, is stationed at Nelson House post, replacing A. D. Hutcheon.

A. Mackintosh, Cross Lake, visited Winnipeg for a short time in October.

A. W. Anderson, formerly manager of Split Lake post, has been transferred to Wabowden, formerly known as Setting Lake, and assumed the management of that place on the 1st August.

A. McKinley, who spent the summer in Scotland on leave of absence, took charge of Split Lake post upon his return, in August.

E. J. Leslie, new apprentice, is stationed at Island Lake post.

D. Paterson, of Beren's River, accompanied Mrs. Paterson to Selkirk in August for medical attention. At time of writing we are pleased to say that Mrs. Paterson is now recovered, and was able to return to Beren's River before freeze-up.

James A. Ross, formerly stationed at Fort Alexander as assistant, will be in charge of Bloodvein outpost this winter.

W. R. Henry, of Garraway outpost (named after the famous Garraway's Coffee House, London, England), has been transferred to one of the God's Lake outposts.

David Donaldson, assistant at Little Grand Rapids, spent a week in Winnipeg in August.

It was with regret that we learned of the serious illness of both Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Chalmers, of Fort Alexander, at the Pine Falls hospital in August, and are glad to be able to report that they are both now fully recovered.

Hugh Fraser had also to come to Winnipeg for medical attention, but has now returned to his post, fully recovered.

E. A. Jones, apprentice, transferred from James Bay district, is now stationed at Wabowden post.

A. L. Snelgrove will be stationed at Poplar River outpost this winter.

R. S. Robertson, new apprentice, has been stationed at Gillam post.

A. Anderson, formerly accountant at North Bay, was appointed Keewatin district accountant in June.

District Manager S. J. C. Cumming, returned in August from inspection trip covering the following posts: Norway House, Oxford House, God's Lake, Island Lake, Beren's River and Little Grand Rapids.

A dry hot summer was experienced in Northern Manitoba, and huge bush fires did much damage.—*S. J. C. Cumming.*

Two River Pilots

ALEX. LINKLATER AND DAVID McPHERSON

By W. F. Cooke, **H B C** Fort Smith, N.W.T.

A traveller making for the first time by steamer the long river trip from Waterways, Alberta (which is the terminus of the Alberta & Great Waterways railway, 300 miles north of Edmonton) to Aklavik, in the Northwest Territories of Canada, a distance of approximately seventeen hundred miles and to within fifty miles of the Arctic Ocean, must wonder how the steamer is kept in its winding course. The smoothness of the navigating is due to the combined efforts of several men aboard, last and not least of which are Alex. and David on their respective runs.

The lines, "For captains may come and captains may go, but they go on forever" (with apologies to Lord Tennyson), can well be applied to these river pilots.

Alex. Linklater came to Chipewayan on Lake Athabasca in 1892, and since that time has been connected in one capacity and another in the Company's transport service on the Athabasca river and lake of that name—steersman on the scow transport between Athabasca Landing and McMurray from 1892 to 1904; acting mate on the S.S. *Grahame*, season 1905; master of S.S. *Grahame*, seasons 1906 to 1912 inclusive; master of tug *Primrose*, 1913 to 1915 inclusive; pilot, 1916 and 1917 on S.S. *McMurray* under Captain Mills; pilot, seasons 1918 to 1920 inclusive on S.S. *McMurray* under Captain Haight; season 1921 on S.S. *McMurray* under Captain McLeod; season 1922 on S.S. *Athabasca River* under Captain McLeod; seasons 1925 to 1927, inclusive, on S. S. *Athabasca River* under Captain Con. Myers—thirty-seven years guiding all manner of craft—scows, skiffs, York boats, canoes, motor boats, schooners —on the same rivers and lakes. Little

David McPherson   *Alex. Linklater (about 1907)*

wonder that his is a master hand at wheel, steering, oar, or paddle. Long experience has made familiar to this dignified and courteous man every rock, reef, point and bar on the steamer run between Waterways and Fitzgerald, approximately three hundred miles. The traveller *en route* to Aklavik leaving Alex. at Fitzgerald may be assured of a genial smile and hearty hand-shake and his customary "Good trip" as a send-off.

After crossing the sixteen miles portage and boarding the S.S. *Distributor*, if friend traveller, just prior to the departure of the steamer, will look from the saloon deck toward a little log shack on the shore, he will notice a man standing against the wall, and beside him a small woman holding a sack in her hand. The man is David McPherson, the small woman his wife; and in the sack are the clothes that he will require on the trip. Watching intently, it will be found very hard to fathom just what the veteran pilot's plans are, for he makes not a move until the mate has given the necessary instructions to haul in the gang-plank. Then, and not until then, he moves slowly and deliberately. The boys, noticing him coming, halt in their work, and in a twinkling David and his clothing are aboard. The next moment, as the boat casts off, he is behind the captain in the pilot house.

David first saw the light of day at Hay River, on Great Slave lake in the Northwest Territories. From Hay River he went with his father to Norman, and then to Simpson. For over forty years he has been in the Company's transport service, and has been on all of the Company's steamers that have plied on the rivers and lakes on the Fort Smith-Aklavik run.

To know and know well the steamer channel in river and lake from Fort Smith to Aklavik, a distance of approximately fourteen hundred miles, is nothing short of remarkable. Nevertheless McPherson has this knowledge.

"Captains have come and captains may go" with David as well as with Alex. David has had as masters on the Fort Smith-McPherson and Aklavik run, Captains Smith, Boyd, Naylor, Patton, Mills, Morton, Deacon and Gardner.

No men have ever served an employer better than these two pilots have served the Company. With them it is serving an ideal when doing their trick at the wheel, their eyes ever on the water ahead, excepting for a quick glance astern or ashore to see that all is well; for a second's carelessness, one false move at the wheel, in rivers whose bottoms are covered with treacherous sand-bars, submerged rocks and snags, may mean loss of life, cargo, steamer, long delays and wrecked schedules.

River pilots, it is said, are born, not made. These two fine pilots are in the autumn of life. May their autumn be a long and useful one. To know the esteem in which these two men are held throughout this vast Northland, one has only to watch the way they are greeted when their respective steamers touch at their points of call between Waterways and Aklavik on the first trip of each season.

Long life to Alex. and David!

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Barren Land Thoughts

By JAMES FOTHERINGHAM

Hudson's Bay Company, Fort Resolution, N.W.T.

A mournful place is the Barren Lands,
Where the wolves and caribou roam
And the ceaseless chatter of foxes
Blends with the fierce wind's moan.

My tent is pitched all snug and warm
In a grove of stunted trees
At the head of the Hoarfrost river,
Which the white man seldom sees.

At eve, when the darkening shadows
Steal over the snow-clad plain
And night descends on the Barrens,
Then I turn to my thoughts again.

As I lie in my cosy eiderdown
By the tin stove's friendly glow,
I think of the days now past and gone,
When there was no sixty below.

Of my boyhood days in Scotland,
When I roamed by the sparkling stream,
Or lay on its banks in the sunshine,
With nothing to do but dream.

At times I vow I will give it up
And fly to the city's flame;
But I know in my heart if I ever did,
I'd want to come back again.

London, England

By permission of the Governor and Committee, the annual general meeting of the Beaver Club was held in the Company's fur trade saleroom on 11th October. The most interesting point of the proceedings was the announcement by Mr. Rendall, the chairman, that it had been decided to widen the scope of the club so as to include the warehousemen and members of the packing department. This announcement was greeted with applause. After the election of representatives for these sections, and also for the development and maintenance departments, an account of the finances was given.

The Company's October fur sales have just concluded, and, although there were no startling changes in price, demand remained steady for most articles.

We are pleased to have Mr. P. E. H. Sewell amongst us again, looking all the better for his sojourn in Canada.

Welcome to Messrs. Barefoot, Frayling and Wonnall, who have joined the fur warehouse staff, also to Messrs. Banks, Hoare, Murkin, Tyler and Gibbs, who have joined Mr. Brownjohn.

Our best wishes to A. E. Page, who left us to take a position in a shipping office.

The motor show which has just ended attracted large numbers of people to London. The great feature of the exhibition was the car of small horsepower, and one wonders whether these "babies" will ever attain popularity in Canada.

An encouraging number of entries were obtained for the holiday snapshot and essay competitions, the winners were: Essay competition (for the best description of a holiday incident)—Mr. W. Ferguson, engineering department, Beaver House, "A Real Adventure;" Mr. Terence Ruttle, fur warehouse, "Adventures in the Pyrenees."

Mr. C. Langwith, who has been away for some time with a broken ankle sustained whilst on holiday, has now returned.

Many members of the Beaver Club and their friends took advantage of the opportunity of hearing Mr. A. H. Blake, M.A., deliver a fascinating lecture on "London Through the Eyes of Pepys" in the Beaver House reception room. We all enjoyed it very much and look forward to a further lecture.

As suitable space was not available at Beaver House, the Beaver Club has rented an outside room for table tennis, and members play once a week. This still remains one of the most popular sections—*T. Ruttle.*

BEAVER CLUB
PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

A—*A Holiday Afloat* (*L. T. MacMillan*), *3rd prize*
B—*Scene, Maidenhead*
C—*Tregudda Gorge, North Cornwall*
D—*Valley of Estaoube, France* (*T. Ruttle*), *1st prize*
E—*Hillsford Bridge near Lynton* (*M. Clark*), *2nd prize*

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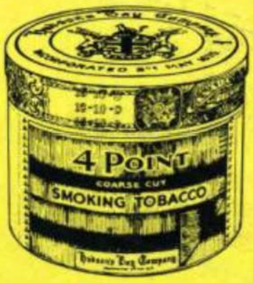
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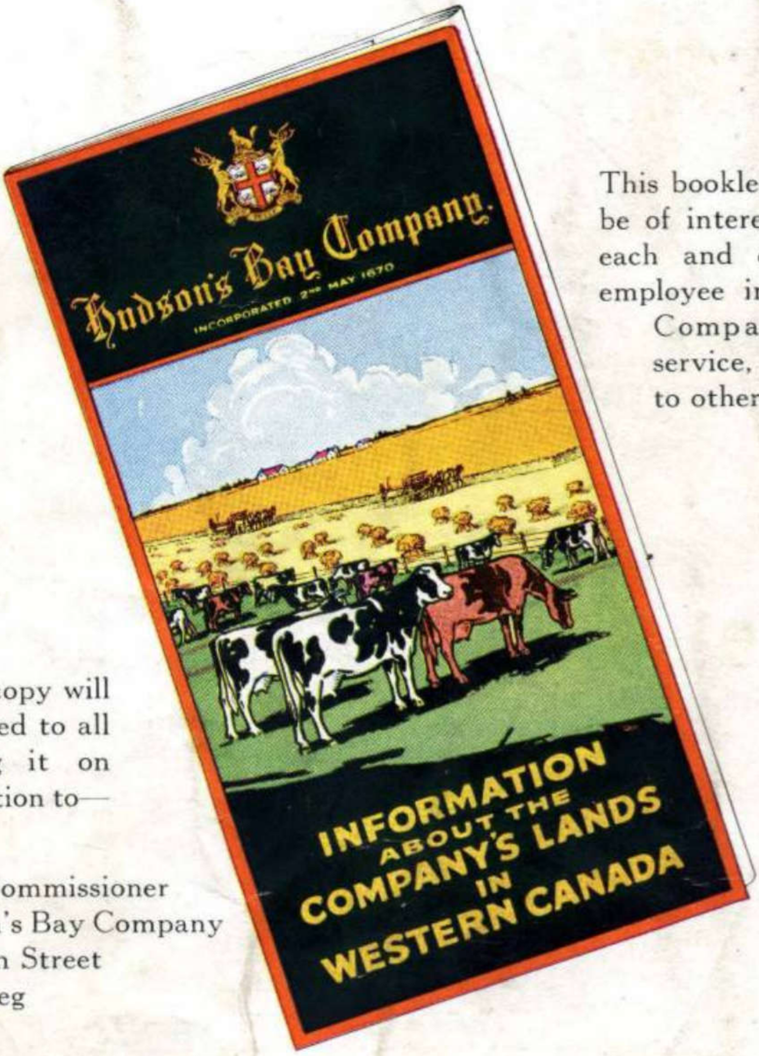
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